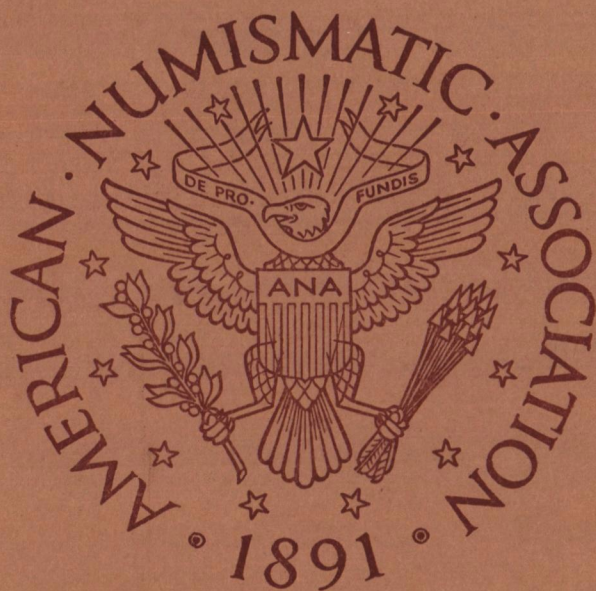


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Top of the Clubs

Editor's note: The following items were selected from this month's club reports because of newsworthiness and general interest.

J. Henri Ripstra, former A.N.A. president, received his honorary A.N.A. membership certificate from M. Vernon Sheldon, former A.N.A. president, at the April meeting of the **Chicago Coin Club**. The certificate was dated Aug. 28, 1944, when the honorary membership was approved.

The **Chittenden County Coin Club** has distributed coin buying guides throughout the community to stimulate public interest in numismatics. This also serves to uncover minor collections that may be available for purchase.

The **Cincinnati Numismatic Association** is considering a medal for its 25th anniversary.

To stimulate club membership. Pres. Banner of the **Dayton Coin Club** has offered a \$5 gold piece as a prize for 1955's No. 1 membership getter, and Secretary Chastain is giving a \$2.50 gold piece to the runner-up.

East Bay Coin Club of Oakland, Calif., has received a request from Parks Air Force Base hospital for coin material suitable for patients. Club members are planning talks, exhibits, and other means of complying.

Huntington Coin Club will occupy two booths at the annual hobby show this spring.

Los Angeles Coin Club broke its attendance record with 126 members and guests at the February meeting, then came right back and tied the figure in March, and dropped to 113 in April. At the latter meeting, M. H. Bolender related some of his experiences as a collector and dealer for the last 49 years. Books were more readily available to him than spending money, so the foundation of his numismatic knowledge was gained through reading. Ownership of the coins came later.

Charles E. McCormick of the **Maryland Numismatic Society** recently served as a member of the U. S. assay commission. Melvin Fuld, a *Numismatist* regular, is president of the Society this year.

The proposed Salk dime was endorsed by the **Memphis Coin Club**, which requested local congressmen to vote for it.

John Overstreet spoke to the **Okla-**

homa City Coin Club on the cleaning of silver coins at the April session. He noted that, fundamentally, there are three general chemical changes that can damage silver: direct chemical action such as that of strong acids, corrosion, and tarnish. Little can be done by the average collector to eliminate damage from coins caused by the first two but he can do something about tarnish. The principal cause of tarnish is sulphur, present in almost all of the objects with which coins can come into contact even when enveloped and in storage. Mr. Overstreet summarized methods for removing tarnish as (1) simple washing with soap and water, (2) use of soda to remove the stain mechanically, (3) use of special cleaning compounds such as "Electrosilicon" in which the coin can be dipped, (4) electrolytical techniques utilizing aluminum foil, and finally, (5) more drastic actions not recommended, such as the use of hot 50% nitric acid and buffing methods using jeweler's rouge. A spirited club critique followed. Collectors of ancient and medieval coins went on record against coin cleaning due to the damage that can be done to the patina.

The **Orange County Coin Club's** annual banquet seated 105 members and guests.

The 40th anniversary dinner of the **Pacific Coast Numismatic Society** will be served June 30th. The place? Roselli House of Famous Food, 3601 California St., San Francisco, Calif.

At the **San Bernardino County Coin Club** March meeting, H. Feinberg's subject was "How to Sell a Coin Collection." He discussed the advantages and disadvantages of selling the entire collection to a dealer, the problems a collector faces in selling his holdings piece by piece, and the results of selling at auction.

The **San Fernando Valley Coin Club** hereafter will limit auction lots to five per member and will permit one reserve or protective bid.

Toronto Coin Club was entertained at the March meeting by a showing of slides of over 40 different types of nickel coins of the world by a representative of International Nickel Co.

Books and magazines from the estate of the late Pitt Skipton were recently donated to the **Westchester County Coin Club**.

In the late thirties, Spain was ripped by an internal conflict which has sometimes been called the dress rehearsal of World War II. The resulting business chaos and disrupted economic life were accompanied by an uncertain money supply. The author classifies such emergency coinage of the period as is known to him.

TENTATIVE LISTING OF SPANISH CIVIL WAR COINS

By P. K. Anderson, LM 210

RECENT events in Spain have brought about an issue of coins that were a direct off-shoot of the civil war. Very little is known about them in the United States and this list is presented with the hope that our Spanish members will amplify it. I am certain that many additions can be made to the list and it is also possible that errors have been incorporated that should be corrected.

These coins were issued, mainly, in Catalonia and in Northern Spain. They were issued by municipal councils, as a rule, and were obligatory legal tender. They can probably be classified as an emergency coinage. Some of them were nicely struck and others were quite crude in execution. They come in various metals. I know of issues in nickel, copper, bronze, brass, iron, zinc and aluminum. A list of these coins known to the compiler is as follows:

COUNCIL OF ASTURIAS & LEON



No. 1. 2 pesetas — Obverse: Standing female figure holding cogwheel in right hand and sledge hammer in left

hand. Olive branch in foreground. M.CAREAGA to right, ESPANA below. Legend: CONSEJO DE ASTURIAS Y LEON.

Reverse: Inscription in three lines 2 / PESETAS / 1937 Rising sun above.

Plain edge: Nickel. 26½ mm diameter.



No. 2. 1 peseta — Obverse: Three-quarter length male figure facing left and sowing barley in ploughed field. ESPANA below. Legend: CONSEJO DE ASTURIAS Y LEON.

Reverse: Inscription in three lines 1 / PESETA / 1937 Rising sun above.

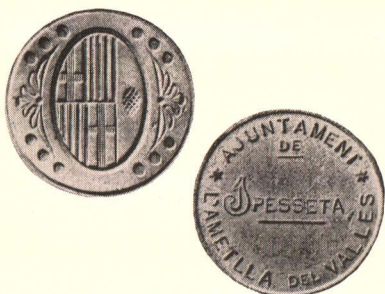
Plain edge: Bronze. 23 mm diameter.

P. K. Anderson, a specialist in coins of the Spanish speaking countries, is well known to *Numismatist* readers for his contributions. Now a resident of the Sooner State, for many years he worked as an engineer in Central and South America, with time out for naval service in World War II.

No. 3. 50 centimos — Obverse: Smokestack, cogwheel, sledge hammer and compass. Legend: CONSEJO DE ASTURIAS Y LEON.

Reverse: Inscription in three lines 50 / CENTIMOS / 1937 Legend: REPUBLICA ESPANOLA. Nickel. 20 mm diameter.

COUNCIL OF L'AMETLLA
DEL VALLES



No. 4. 1 peseta — Obverse: Oval shield with the arms of the "Deputation" which is composed of the Cross of St. George and the four bars of the Counts of Barcelona quartered, on dexter side of oval. Pine cone on sinister side of oval. Scroll ornament to right and left. 12 pellets in groups of three.

Reverse: 1 PESSETA in straight line in center, * AJUNTAMENT DE * above, L'AMETLLA DEL VALLES below.

Aluminum. 26 mm diameter.



No. 5. 1 peseta — Obverse: as above. Reverse: 1 PESETA. Scroll right and left.

Aluminum. 26 mm diameter.



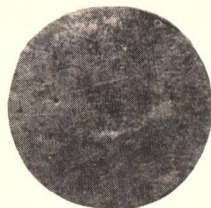
No. 6. 50 centimos — Obverse: As above except only four pellets.

Reverse: 50 Cts in panel. Striated field.

Aluminum. 20 mm diameter.

[Note: There is a variety of 50 centimos in copper and a 25 centimos in brass in this series of which I have no description. Ametlla del Valles is the name given in 1933 to the village of La Ametlla which is situated 63 kilometers from Barcelona.]

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL D'AREYNS
DE MAR



No. 7. 1 peseta — Obverse: Tree with two wavy lines below, on a shield. 1 to left, Pta to right. Legend: *CONSELL MUNICIPAL * D'AREYNS DE MAR.

Reverse: Blank.

Aluminum. 29 mm diameter.



No. 8. 50 centimos — Obverse: Same as above except for denomination.

Reverse: Blank.

Aluminum. 21 mm diameter.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF IBI



No. 9. 1 peseta — Obverse: IBI in center. :CENTIMOS : below, CON-1937 below.

Reverse: 1 in center, PESETA below.

Nickel plated brass. 24 mm diameter.



No. 10. 25 centimos — Obverse: Helmeted head (Pallas?) to left, 1937 below, ear of barley to right and left.

Reverse: IBI / 25 in two lines in center. :CENTIMOS : below, CONSEJO MUNICIPAL above. Field filled with pellets and a spider-web tracery.

Bronze. 24 mm diameter.



No. 11. 25 centimos — Obverse: Same as above.

Reverse: Same as above except that the field is blank.

GOVERNMENT OF LORA DEL RIO



No. 12. 25 centimos — Obverse: Ornate crowned shield. Arms consist of a crowned tree surrounded by a ribbon. AYUNTAMIENTO DE LORA DEL RIO AXATI on ribbon. Legend: LORA DEL RIO (3 crosses before and after).

Reverse: Inscription: PROVINCIONAL / CURSO / INTERIOR / 25 / Cts Palm leaf to right.

Brass. 23 mm diameter.

[Note: Lora del Rio is not in Catalonia but is in Andalusia.]

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF MENORCA



No. 13. 2½ pesetas — Obverse: Shield of 8 concave arcs inside of which is a ribbon, 4 castles and a lighthouse on ribbon. All in circle of dots. Legend: CONSEJOS MUNICIPALES MENORCA 1937.

Reverse: VALE POR / 250 / PESETAS / * in four lines, olive branch on left, REPUBLICA ESPAÑOLA on right.

Brass. 21½ mm diameter.



No. 14. 1 peseta — Obverse: Same as above.

Reverse: Same as above except for denomination.

Brass. 19 mm diameter.



No. 15. 25 centimos — Obverse: Shield as above. Legend: C. MUNICIPALES DE MENORCA 1937.

Reverse: VALE POR / 25 cts / * in three lines, olive branch on left, R. ESPAÑOLA on right.

Brass. 17½ mm diameter.



No. 16. 10 centimos — Obverse: Same as above except DE in monogram.

Reverse: Same as above except for denomination.

Brass. 15 mm diameter.



No. 17. 5 centimos — Obverse: Same as above except plain circle around shield.

Reverse: Same as above except denomination.

Brass. 13½ mm diameter.

COUNCIL OF OLOT



No. 18. 15 centimos — Obverse: Ten vertical lines of varying lengths. Fret work on three sides. Legend:

* AJUNTAMENT D'OLOT.

Reverse: Two chimneys emitting smoke. 15 CENTIMS on right. 24. IX. 1937 on left.

Iron. 30 mm diameter.



No. 19. 10 centimos — Obverse: Same as above.

Reverse: Caduceus and winged cap of Mercury dividing 10 CTS 24-IX 1937 below.

Iron. 24 mm diameter.

[Note: These two coins were struck in iron and are very weakly struck, so photographs are not so clear. Only 10 examples of the 15 centimos were made.]

COUNCIL OF SANTANDER, PALENCIA & BURGOS



No. 20. 1 peseta — Obverse: Arms composed of sailing ship, lighthouse and two masques on a shield crowned with a mural crown on left. Inscription in seven lines DS / CONSEJO / DE / SANTANDER / PALENCIA / Y / BURGOS on right side. 1937 in exergue.

Reverse: REPUBLICA / ESPANOLA / UNA / PESETA / triangle in five lines. Crossed oak and olive branches below.

Nickel. 23 mm diameter.



No. 21. 50 centimos — Obverse: Blacksmith at anvil, factory in background. 1937 in exergue. Legend: CONSEJO DE SANTANDER PALENCIA Y BURGOS.

Reverse: 50 cts with ear of barley each side. REPUBLICA ESPANOLA in exergue. Legend: POR LA INDEPENDENCIA.

Nickel. 19 mm diameter.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SEGARRA DE GATA



No. 22. 1 peseta — Obverse: Horizontal line with 1 PESSETA above. The four bars of Aragon below. All

in plain circle. Legend: CONSELL MUNICIPAL.SEGARRA DE GAIA.

Reverse: Blank.

Copper. 23½ mm diameter.

No. 22a. 1 peseta — Same as No. 22 except struck in nickel.



No. 23. 1 peseta — Obverse: C.M. / SEGARRA / = DE GAIA = / 342 / 1pta in four lines incuse. The number in the fourth line is different on each coin.

Reverse: Blank.

Brass. 24 mm diameter.

[Note: This is not a minted coin as all letters have been placed on the flan with punches, probably a letter at a time.]

VISCAYAN REPUBLIC



No. 24. 2 pesetas — Obverse: Female head wearing Liberty cap to right. Monogram of AB below. Legend: GOBIERNO DE EUZKADI.

Reverse: 2 / PESETAS / 1937 / — in four lines inside of olive wreath. Reeded edge.

Nickel. 26 mm diameter.



No. 25. 1 peseta — Obverse: Same as above.

Reverse: Same as above except for denomination. Reeded edge.

Nickel. 22 mm diameter.

[Note: These are the most common examples of this series. I am informed that they were struck in Belgium and were delivered too late to be of any use. This will probably account for their abundance. There were five denominations struck at Sarroca and four at Nulles, none of which I can describe.]

There are a few other pieces which may or may not belong to this series as they were not struck by municipal councils but by workmen's or farmers' cooperatives. They are included, however, as they were circulated at about the same time as the foregoing.



No. 26. 5 centimos — Obverse: GERMINAL with a scroll above and below. Legend: COOPERATIVA OBRERA.

Reverse: 5 CENTIMS in center. ANY 1935. above. ESPARRAGUERA below.

Brass. 25 mm diameter.



No. 27. 10 centimos — Obverse: 10 CENTIMS in center. Ornament resembling Jupiter's thunderbolt below. Legend: HOSTALET'S DE PIEROLA.

Reverse: Four fleur-de-lis in the form of a cross with a pellet in each angle. *1937* below. Legend: CO-OPERATIVA AGRICOLA.

Brass. 30 mm diameter.



No. 28. 5 centimos – Obverse: Same as above except that thunderbolt is replaced by three 5-pointed stars.

Reverse: Same as above except for denomination.

Brass. 25 mm diameter.

Lastly, I have three coins which I doubt belong here as they seem to belong to the monarchy. It is possible, however, that they were issued by monarchist sympathizers during the civil-war period. I am basing my allocation on the crown on these coins which appears to be regal. Perhaps our Spanish members can tell us by whom they were issued and when.



No. 29. 2 pesetas – Obverse: Liberty head wearing coronet facing left. Scroll left and right, five stars above, two stars below. 2 below left, P below right.

Reverse: Royal arms of Spain crowned with a regal crown. Intricate scroll work each side. DOS PESETAS below. Reeded edge.

Nickel. 27 mm diameter.



The conventional lines which are used on coins to indicate heraldic colors are just the reverse of the lines used on Spanish coins of an earlier date. On this coin, the castles are on a field of horizontal lines which in heraldry denote blue while the fleur-de-lis have a field of vertical lines denoting red. On coins of the provisional government, Amadeo I, Alfonso XII and on patterns of Isabella II, these conventional lines are engraved the opposite of those on this coin.



No. 30. 2 pesetas – Obverse: Liberty head wearing laurel wreath facing right. 2 below left, P below right, surrounded by ornamental wreath.

Reverse: 2 PESETAS in cartouche, scroll work left and right. Reeded edge.

Nickel. 27 mm diameter.



No. 31. 1 peseta – Obverse: Castle with regal crown above, olive branches to left and right.

Reverse: 1 in center in cartouche. *PESETA* below. Reeded edge.

Nickel. 23 mm diameter.

[Several irregularities may be noted among these coins. In several instances PESETAS is spelled as PESSETAS and CENTIMOS appears as CENTIMS. ANO is changed to ANY on one piece. The final peculiarity is the reversal of the colors on No. 29.]



You, dear reader, will enjoy the humorous touches and light fiction with which the author clothes his serious intent to draw attention to the distinction between a "type" set and an "issue" set of commemorative half dollars.

FORTY-EIGHT TO SEVENTY-THREE

By Harold E. Baker, A.N.A. No. 22858

IF A SKYROCKET price pattern, or the frequency of mention in advertising, or any one of several other standards may be used as a gauge of popularity, then commemorative coinage of the United States occupies first place attention among coin collectors today.

Disregarding all other reasons, this is probably due, for the most part, to new collectors. My young son and I are new collectors. We are interested in commemorative coinage. We are particularly interested in commemorative 50¢ pieces. We are broke. We are confused.

Under the tutelage of an able dealer we set out, more than a year ago, to acquire a complete set of commemorative 50¢ pieces. With limited funds and unlimited enthusiasm, we planned a program of "pay as you go and enjoy." Under this plan, the acquisition of new coins each month, by a regular purchase schedule, was contemplated. Purchases were to be made with an eye on the already rapidly advancing price list. Rarest items were to be acquired first.

Disappointment came quickly when it was discovered that our first installment was not large enough to purchase the Captain Cook Hawaiian sesquicentennial half dollar. This appeared to be the coin most likely to advance in price. We settled for the Alabama centennial half dollar with the St. Andrews

Cross dividing the figure 22 at the back of Governor Kilby's head. This left a small credit balance for the next month's purchase.

With this credit balance and with our second installment in hand, it was appalling to discover that Captain Cook had advanced to a point just out of reach. With rising apprehension, we passed our prize again and wound up with the Hudson half dollar and a small credit balance in account.

The days dragged by during the next period of accumulation but, at long last, we stood confidently in front of our dealer friend. He was offering, for our approval, the Fort Vancouver centennial half dollar. Captain Cook had eluded us again. A tiny black cloud of despair was barely visible on the horizon as the magnitude of our new project became more apparent. Armed with a credit slip, a Vancouver, and a dismal outlook for the month ahead, we departed.

It was only several days later that we confided our misgivings to a collector friend. An old-timer with a four digit A.N.A. number, he smiled knowingly. From the rich well of his years of experience, he suggested that perhaps our project should be cut down. He mentioned a type set. He also offered a selection of his duplicates at "less than catalog." It was nearly midnight when we left his home. Our check was to be delivered the next day and would cover the purchase of the Pilgrim, the Monroe, the Lexington-Concord, the Oregon Trail, the Texas centennial, a set of the Columbia, South Carolina, the Great Lakes, the Battle of Gettysburg, and sets of Booker T. Washington and Wash-

Harold E. Baker is a newcomer to *The Numismatist*. He is a member of the Des Moines Coin Club, before which he read this paper last January.

ington-Carver. Captain Cook, at that moment, seemed further away than Hawaii.

At breakfast the following morning the beneficiary had difficulty understanding why she would need to sign the papers if the policy was going to be used as collateral. She didn't seem to understand about a type set. Later, the loan officer at the bank displayed the same ignorance and wanted to know exactly what constituted a type set. Fortunately, the premium payments were up-to-date on the policy and, acting as though he understood all about type sets, he made out the deposit slips while we were signing the note and the assignment forms. Our check was delivered on time.

A day or two later, still trying to figure out why our dealer friend had failed so miserably by not telling us about type sets, he called. He excitedly informed us that a "gem" Captain Cook had just reached him at a price that could be covered with our last credit balance and our next installment. That black cloud rolled in as we thought of our next installment going to the bank instead of "on account." We didn't have the heart to tell him. We didn't even ask him if he knew what a type set looked like. We congratulated him with a voice that failed to match our words and hung up the receiver while contemplating our wife, the bank, our collector friend with the low A.N.A. number, our dealer friend, our stupidity, and suicide in that order.

Surely resourcefulness must be a necessary qualification for a coin collector. To sell our accumulation, liquidate our loan, return the policy to the safe, buy the beneficiary a new dress, and forget about the whole thing would have been an easy series of steps to take. And perfectly ridiculous. It was much simpler to give up smoking, cut down on lunches, sell the ping-pong table, use regular instead of ethyl, and make a new loan, using the coins already purchased, as security. Moreover, at this bank, the loan officer knew what a type set was and didn't even ask if we owed any

other monies; and only one co-signer.

She didn't speak from the time we left the bank until we walked out of the dress shop. The Captain Cook Hawaiian was truly a "gem."

Our dealer friend didn't even act surprised when we told him about our extra purchases. He explained that, over the years, he had seen the same mistake made many times. With all available funds invested in the common varieties, the buyer watches the price of the rarities go out of his reach. We thought of the road ahead: the Panama-Pacific, the Grant (with the no significance star), the Connecticut, the Old Spanish Trail, and that black cloud had now moved directly between us and the sun.

The idea might not have been born if he hadn't said something about the set of Columbias being the best part of our purchases. But, suddenly, we wondered why we needed a set of Columbias and only one Oregon Trail and one Texas centennial. Obviously, we were not consistent; probably, we were wrong. For the first time, we asked what he thought about a type set. His answer caused our confusion to spread rapidly from the economics of price, to the vagaries of partial accumulation.

It seems that, for those unfortunates whose numismatic desires must yield to the demands for food and clothing, a type set of commemorative half dollars has been formed. Included is one coin of each issue. Forty-eight since Ninety-two. To prove that such is the case, he showed us the five pages that Mr. Raymond, Inc. has designed to house the completed type set. The pages were eighty cents each without the binder.

Later, as we sat putting our coins in their proper places in Mr. Raymond Inc.'s pages, she spoke. She asked about the pages. We told her. She mentioned that she had been planning to have the pictures of the twins framed but had delayed because the photographer wanted three fifty for the frame. That evening, after returning from the pho-

tographer's studio, we again started putting the coins in place. It was at space number eight on page number 375-D that the full realization of our predicament dawned upon us. Should we display the P, the D, or the S? And, what of the other two? We could see our type set displayed at the A.N.A. convention in Chicago in 1956. Along would come A. Wolfe Davidson to remind us that he designed the coin to provide a D or an S below the figure of Justice on two types not shown. We might even lose the Howland Wood award for the "Best in Show" as a result of our dereliction. Sleep came very slowly to us that night.

Just when the idea came, we are not certain. We only know that, at breakfast the next morning, we felt like a son of destiny. Our decision had been reached. Our self-confidence must have been apparent. She didn't even question when we asked where the car registration had been placed for safe keeping. The gentleman at the finance company said that, even with the dented fender and the two recaps, it was better than most they appraised. Our dealer friend didn't seem the least bit surprised to see us until we told him of the plan. Then he paled for an ever so brief moment.

He agreed that the idea might have merit but doubted that it would become widely popular. *A type set for the collector in between the collector who can afford a complete set, and the collector who can't afford a complete set but who has an incomplete type set which he would like to enlarge to a more complete type set even if it takes every cent he has.* That cloud was barely visible on the horizon and the warm sun shone brightly that morning.

We used his desk and padded cell and, more than awhile later, emerged with a "have" and a "want" list which, when combined, comprise our type set. We feel that it meets a need. Surely, among the thousands of new collectors, there are many who, given a guide, would rather cut their indebtedness to a point less than the cost of a complete set; yet hesitate to cut so sharply as to be satisfied with the old "Forty-Eight since Ninety-Two" model. Surely, there are old-timers struggling to repay the cost of their "Forty-Eight" who feel that now is the time to plunge further into debt and enlarge their sets to "Seventy-Three." From these groups, we seek our adherents. To them we present:

OUR TYPE SET COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLARS

1. Columbian 1892 or 1893
2. Panama-Pacific 1915-S
3. Illinois 1918
4. Maine 1920
5. Pilgrim 1920 or 1921
6. Missouri 1921 - 2 ☆ 4 in field of obverse
7. Missouri 1921 - No star
8. Alabama 1921 - 2 x 2 in field of obverse
9. Alabama 1921 - No 2 x 2
10. Grant 1922 - ☆ in obverse field
11. Grant 1922 - No star
12. Monroe 1923-S
13. Huguenot-Walloon 1924
14. Lexington-Concord 1925
15. Stone Mountain 1925
16. California 1925-S
17. Fort Vancouver 1925
18. American Independence 1926
19. Oregon Trail 1926 or 1928 or 1936 or 1938 or 1939
20. Oregon Trail 1926S or 1936S or 1938S or 1939S
21. Oregon Trail 1933D or 1934D or 1937D or 1938D or 1939D
22. Vermont 1927
23. Hawaiian 1928
24. Maryland 1934

25. Texas 1934 or 1935 or 1936 or 1937 or 1938
26. Texas 1935S or 1936S or 1937S or 1938S
27. Texas 1935D or 1936D or 1937D or 1938D
28. Daniel Boone 1934 or 1935
29. Daniel Boone 1935S
30. Daniel Boone 1935D
31. Daniel Boone 1935 or 1936 or 1937 or 1938 with small 1934 on reverse
32. Daniel Boone 1935S or 1936S or 1937S or 1938S with small 1934 on reverse
33. Daniel Boone 1935D or 1936D or 1937D or 1938D with small 1934 on reverse
34. Connecticut 1935
35. Arkansas 1935 or 1936 or 1937 or 1938 or 1939
36. Arkansas 1935S or 1936S or 1937S or 1938S or 1939S
37. Arkansas 1935D or 1936D or 1937D or 1938D or 1939D
38. Hudson, N. Y. 1935
39. California-Pacific 1935S
40. California-Pacific 1936D
41. Old Spanish Trail 1935
42. Providence, R. I. 1936
43. Providence, R. I. 1936S
44. Providence, R. I. 1936D
45. Cleveland-Great Lakes 1936
46. Wisconsin Territorial 1936
47. Cincinnati Musical Center 1936
48. Cincinnati Musical Center 1936S
49. Cincinnati Musical Center 1936D
50. Long Island 1936
51. York County, Me. 1936
52. Bridgeport, Conn. 1936
53. Lynchburg, Va. 1936
54. Elgin, Ill. 1936
55. Albany, N. Y. 1936
56. San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge 1936
57. Columbia, S. C. 1936
58. Columbia, S. C. 1936S
59. Columbia, S. C. 1936D
60. Arkansas-Robinson 1936
61. Delaware 1936
62. Battle of Gettysburg 1936
63. Norfolk, Va. 1936
64. Roanoke Island, N. C. 1937
65. Battle of Antietam 1937
66. New Rochelle, N. Y. 1938
67. Iowa 1946
68. Booker T. Washington 1946 or 1947 or 1948 or 1949 or 1950 or 1951
69. Booker T. Washington 1946S or 1947S or 1948S or 1949S or 1950S or 1951S
70. Booker T. Washington 1946D or 1947D or 1948D or 1949D or 1950D or 1951D
71. Washington-Carver 1951 or 1952 or 1953 or 1954
72. Washington-Carver 1951S or 1952S or 1953S or 1954S
73. Washington-Carver 1951D or 1952D or 1953D or 1954D

Others who might reasonably be expected to join in the crusade to promote Our Type Set are those fortunates with complete sets who might deem it prudent to sell off their extra Columbians, Pilgrims, Oregon Trails, Arkansas, Booker T. Washingtons, or Washington-Carvers at "Less than Catalog." Also those dealers, sensing a kill, and with bulging stocks of Missouris, Alabamas, Grants (with ☆), Daniel

Boones (with small 34), Cincinnati, and other easy to get items.

Finally, the manufacturers of display holders. Surely Mr. Raymond, Inc. could allow a reasonable trade-in value on sheets No. 375A, B, C, D and E to help foster a new "look" in Commemorative Coinage Display.

To all those and to any others who may have found inspiration from the reading of this, we dedicate "Our Type Set."

Some information which will help collectors detect a form of spurious note often unnoticed in the days when they circulated and less often noticed today.

ALTERED STATE BANK NOTES

By Glenn B. Smedley, A.N.A. No. 7190

THE WORD "counterfeit," and its meaning with reference to money—especially paper money—is quite well known. In spite of stringent laws against counterfeiting, and the success of the Secret Service in tracking down counterfeiters, the practice is too well known to need explanation. Today there are few attempts to make fraudulent money by other methods, but such was not always the case.

During the period of so-called state bank notes, from the very inception of banking in this country until after the Civil War, there was another practice which was almost as prevalent as counterfeiting. By certain alterations, a good—or at least a legal—note could be made into a fraudulent one. The most obvious alteration that would be gainful was that of raising the value or denomination of a note. But the note printers had a way of making this difficult by working the value "counters" into intricate designs, or by printing the denomination in words or numerals so frequently that alteration became too big an undertaking to be attractive or profitable.

To appreciate the other form of alteration, which is described herein, it is necessary to recall a few facts about banking during the first sixty-odd years of the 19th century. While no accurate record exists of

the number of banks which issued notes, there were a great many. A register of genuine bank notes, issued by Gwynne & Day in 1860, describes those of approximately 1300 banks in the United States and 25 in Canada. This means that there were some 10,000 different notes circulating in the country, and it was not uncommon for notes to be found far from the issuing bank's home. To confuse the matter further, practically every note issued was of a different design than any other note. All in all, people who had to accept paper money in their daily transactions had little to guide them as to which were genuine and which were spurious notes.

The engraving and printing of notes was done by a number of private firms, most of which were quite reputable, but not always careful in guarding their operations so as to prevent theft of notes or even the plates from which they were printed. Our first example here of an altered note began with the theft of the plates for printing notes of the Mechanics Bank of Memphis, Tenn. The new "owner" of the plates printed a supply of notes from them, then removed the name of the city and state by the use of acids and carefully lettered in the names of other cities and states. Gwynne & Day's 1860 register lists 16 "Mechanics" and two "Mechanicks" banks in different cities of 12 states, so it was not difficult to produce a variety of fraudulent notes which appeared to be quite good ones. Of course, if one examined the notes carefully, evidence of the alteration could be seen. In this instance, there is practically no shading of the letters in OF KENTUCKY and LOUIS-

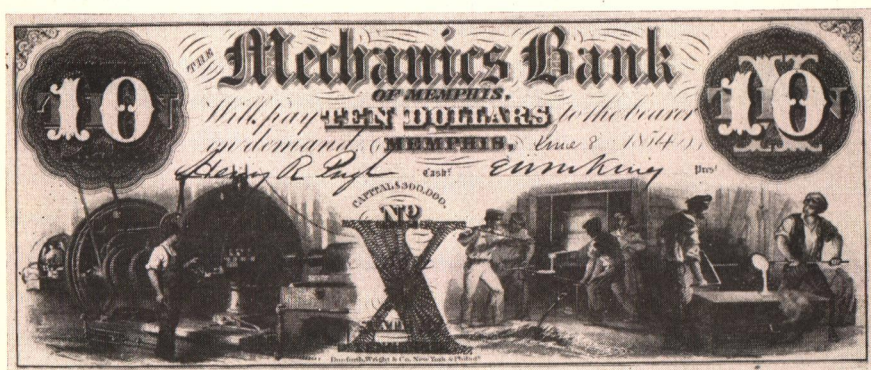
Glenn B. Smedley of Chicago, Ill., is a familiar name to all who have borrowed slide sets from the Newell Visual Education Committee, of which he has been chairman since 1949. He is also an A.N.A. governor.

VILLE; and part of the base of the large "X" is missing, where TENNESSEE was eradicated and KENTUCKY was lettered in. Like the counterfeiter of today, the one who produced this fake was interested in passing it only once, and could be careful that he gave it to someone who was not an expert on bank notes.

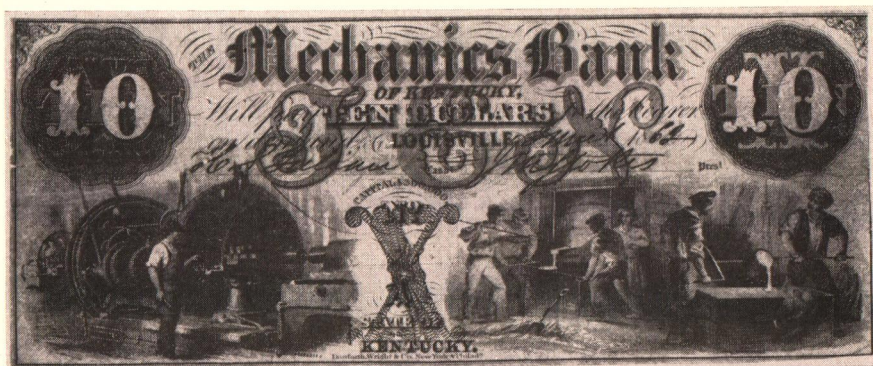
Among the bank note engravers of the mid-19th century was W. L. Ormsby who came to America from England. In the war against counterfeiters, he advanced a different type of engraved bank note and wrote a lengthy book on the subject, which was published in 1852. The very title of the book gives a good indication of its contents and

the wordiness of the coverage: *A Description of the Present System of Bank Note Engraving, Showing its Tendency to Facilitate Counterfeiting: to Which Is Added a New Method of Constructing Bank Notes to Prevent Forgery*. In the preface is the following statement which sums up Ormsby's objections to the prevailing system: "An investigation of the subject soon disclosed the evil to consist in the use of labor-saving machinery and dies, and in the piecemeal or patch-work system of Engraving necessarily resulting from their use."

The new system which he proposed had several requisites, principally: one unbroken and inseparable engraved design to cover



Genuine \$10 note of the Mechanics Bank of Memphis, Tenn.; dated June 8, 1854.



Altered \$10 note on the Mechanics Bank of Kentucky in Louisville; dated June 1, 1862.

practically the whole face of the note, incorporating into the design something indicative of the locality of the bank, a simple design of lettering to cover the back of the note, copyrighting each note by the bank to prevent its use by another bank, and a standard, but different, size of note for each denomination.

Unquestionably his system had merit but it was never widely adopted, largely because of the higher cost of notes produced by it. Nor were the bank note companies enthusiastic about a change which

As originally printed, there was a crease in the paper at the lower left corner. When straightened out, this resulted in a wedge-shape break in the design from the corner through the TEN under the center vignette. But when the town name GLENCOE was altered to BOSTON, the forger failed to leave the break in the lettering. The presence of the crease in the paper is indicated by the unevenness of the cashier's written initial (undoubtedly forged) and the right top of the letter T in BOSTON. The note is dated Dec.



Before alteration, this \$10 note was drawn on the Exchange Bank, Glencoe, Minn.; dated Dec. 1st, 1856.

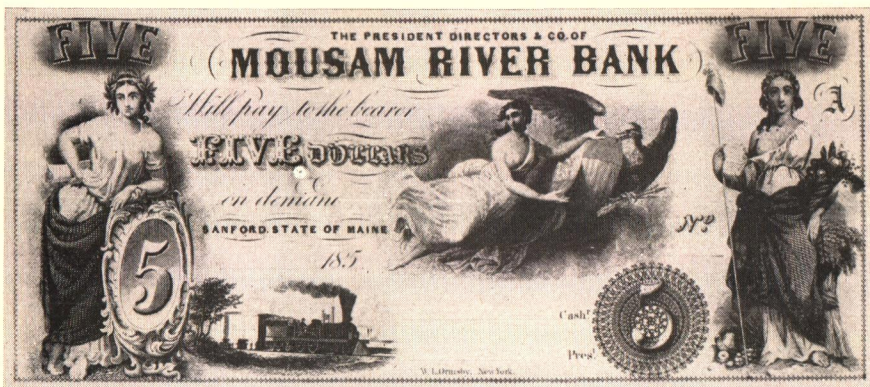
did not benefit them and would mean junking much of their stocks of plates and other equipment. So far as he could, however, Ormsby practiced in his own business the methods which he proposed for the entire bank note industry.

Shown here are examples of Ormsby's work, and proof that, even as he admitted, no system was infallible and that alterations could be made. First is the Exchange Bank \$10 note on which the principal design is an Indian bison hunting scene. The note pictured here was originally printed for The Exchange Bank in Glencoe, Minn., but altered to a bank of the same name in Boston, Mass. Comparison of the original engraved STATE OF with the altered MASS. and BOSTON quickly reveals the poor workmanship of the alterations. This note has another peculiarity which is purely accidental, but gives very positive evidence of the alteration.

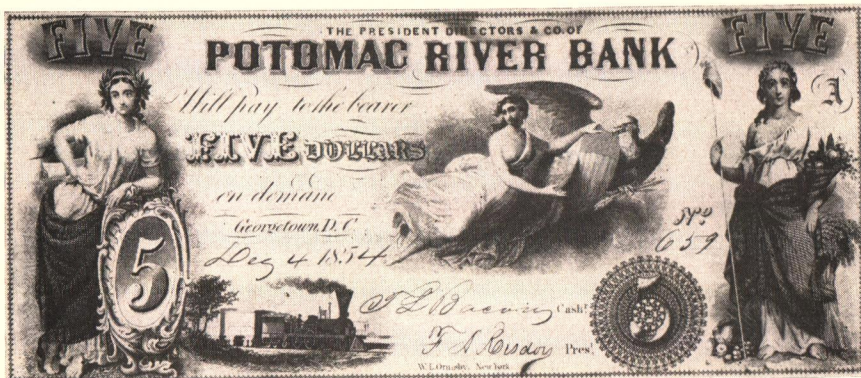
1st, 1856, and bears Ormsby's name above CASH at the lower center.

Another of Mr. Ormsby's productions which fell victim to the forger's attention was the Mousam River Bank \$5 note pictured here. The original one is unsigned and undated. To change one of these notes to the Potomac River Bank, the word MOUSAM was replaced with POTOMAC. At least four defects are evident: the word POTOMAC is not in line with RIVER BANK; the letters T and M in POTOMAC are taller than the others; the shading of the altered word is heavier than that of the two original words; and the swirl before the first word of the original name had to be removed to make room for the longer word inserted. A more careful workman would have replaced this swirl after the alteration was made, to match the one at the end of the bank's name.

The location of the bank was



Genuine unissued note of the 1850s, engraved and printed by W. L. Ormsby, New York.



Ormsby's note, produced for the Mousam River Bank in Maine, but altered to the Potomac River Bank in Georgetown, D. C.; dated Dec. 4, 1854.

changed from SANFORD, STATE OF MAINE to GEORGETOWN, D. C. and this alteration left its marks, too. Although eradication of the original name was done carefully, it nevertheless removed a small portion of the vignettes into which the name extended. This would be quite unnoticeable without having both notes for comparison.

Many other altered notes are known, but these examples serve to show how the practice was carried out. If a fairly good engraver could obtain genuinely printed notes of a closed bank, either issued or unissued, he could easily alter them to become obligations of a solvent bank. For many years prior to the Civil War period, such alterations and the more conventional counter-

feits cost the people of this country enormous amounts. This form of forgery ended after the so-called state bank notes ceased to exist, for there was no supply of notes on closed banks, unissued notes could not be obtained from the private firms, and there was nothing to be gained by altering United States notes which replaced the bank notes.

Several of the notes pictured here, and many others, are on exhibition in the PhilaMatic Center at Boys Town, Neb. An inspection of this exhibit and a visit with the curator, D. O. Barrett, or his assistant, W. L. Culklin, are treats which no numismatist should miss. Only because of the valuable help and encouragement received at the Center is this article possible.

Against a backdrop of seraglios and over Turkish coffee, an acute observer describes a pleasant afternoon for his fellow stay-at-home numismatists.

A VISIT TO ISTANBUL AND THE TURKISH MINT

By Capt. O. H. Dodson, USN, LM 78

IN ALL the ages perhaps no mint can lay claim to so enchanting a location as that of the Republic of Turkey. The mint is situated in Istanbul where East meets West, where the Bosphorus meanders up to the Black Sea, where incomparable mosques, built by sultans of old, shoot their slender minarets above the sky line to compete with the ultra modern, glass faced Hilton hotel. The old mint building stands on the most eastern promontory of this ancient city. This locality, surrounded on three sides by the waters of the Sea of Marmara, the Bosphorous and the Golden Horn, is apparently the earliest city site as it contains the recently discovered acropolis of Byzantium.

To this city in the fourth century came the Christian Emperor Constantine to establish his Eastern capital; here Justinian ruled and issued the first coin with a portrait of Christ; here for more than 11 centuries this most important metropolis of the medieval world preserved Greek culture and scholarship, and held aloft during the Dark Ages the lamp of civilization; here in the year 1453 A.D. the troops of Mohammed the Conqueror stormed the sheer walls and overwhelmed the defenders of the decadent capital; here in 1922 Sultan Mohammed VI was driven from the

throne and the Ottoman Empire crumbled before the vigor of an enlightened leader, Mustafa Kemal, now revered as Ataturk or Father of the Turks.

Our appointment at the mint was for three o'clock. This offered an opportunity to spend the early afternoon visiting the amazing group of buildings and pavilions adjacent to the mint which comprise the Seraglio palace. In use from the time of the Conqueror, added to by subsequent sultans, vacated for the modern Dolmabahce palace in 1853, this historic palace covers three huge courtyards. Today many of the buildings serve as museums displaying the splendors of palace life under the empire and the literally priceless treasures accumulated through six centuries by the sultans.

Seraglio palace exhibits are a collector's paradise. Of special interest is a huge pentelic marble sarcophagous, excavated at Sidon in 1887, and believed to have been prepared as the tomb of Alexander the Great. The elaborate but delicate carved figures show embattled Greek and Persian warriors. A portrait coin of Alexander when compared to the carved heads of the general on the sarcophagous reveals a convincing similarity of features and headdress. For reasons unknown Alexander apparently missed being buried in this most fitting tomb.

One stands in awe before a glass-enclosed, circular, solid gold throne of Chah Ismail of Persia, decorated with rubies, emeralds, pearls and enamel, which was captured by Sultan Selim in the 16th century. The value of the gold in the throne is estimated at \$50 million.

Impressive is the vast kitchen quarters where on special occasions a thousand cooks prepared a feast

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for 5,000 guests. Here also is the world's largest collection of Chinese porcelains containing over 7,000 pieces, and a fabulous collection of jewels with precious rubies, garnets and emeralds displayed in glass jars as numerous as a wholesale exhibit of jars of colored candy.

Adjacent to the harem quarters is a large open-air pool where, under the empire, ladies of the royal harem bathed, frolicked and relaxed in the nude watched only by their sultan who sat on a raised canopied platform extending over one end of the pool. If things grew dull the sultan occasionally tossed a handful of gold coins into the pool and observed his wives and concubines splash excitedly for the lucky pieces.

A two-minute stroll from the main palace gate, past cypress and rosebud, brought us to the mint, a low lying two story yellow and grey stone building with a grille metal gate guarding entrance to an interior court. Although not as glamorous as old Seraglio palace the mint building is also steeped in lore for in ancient times it served as a Roman Christian monastery. Converted to a mint in 1723, since that year it has struck coins for the Ottoman empire and the republic.

Our visiting party included my wife Polly, son John and our versatile young Turkish guide Ahmet, a graduate of Istanbul university and a Turkish swimming champion. A junior official met us at the mint gate, ushered us through the courtyard to an office. Here waiting to greet us was courteous Acting Director Recai Ayvazoglu and, to our surprise and delight, Behzad Butak, a distinguished Turkish actor and authority on Islamic coinage.

Over Turkish coffee, sweet and heavy, Mr. Butak, affable, dignified and portly, explained that Turkey has no numismatic societies and that he knew of only seven collectors in the whole country. All are successful men in middle age or older who are serious students of Islamic coinage. Our hosts were interested in my brief account of the American Numismatic Association, and, like Greek collectors, were

simply astonished to know that any such organization could number more than 10,000 members. From Mr. Butak each of us received a mint set of the current issues of Turkish coins, and for my library I was given an autographed copy of *Resimli Turk Paralari*, his latest work, which might be translated "Turkish Money in Pictures."

This book, printed in three parts, contains illustrations or photographs of more than 400 Turkish coins beginning with the early Seljuk rulers of the 11th century. Since the modern Turkish language uses the western alphabet, and Christian as well as Mohammedan dates are given, the various rulers and their coins can be readily identified.

After coffee we were escorted through the various rooms of the mint. When working at full capacity the plant employs about 450 workers who produce not only coins but also government postage and tax stamps. At present, however, work is limited to the production of gold planchets. Several employees seated at a table carefully weighed the planchets, and used a metal file on the rim to reduce overweight pieces. In one room, where early Christians voluntarily tortured themselves in the belief this would insure eternal life, crucibles today melt gold for the planchets. Although the twelve electric powered coining presses of British manufacture have a daily output of 20,000 coins each at full capacity, we were told that these machines and other mint equipment are considered out of date. Plans are approved to replace the present machinery with a modern installation. At the time of our visit the mint director was absent in Europe inspecting mints and factories prior to placing orders for the new equipment.

The last room visited was the museum. On the walls hung portraits of former ministers of finance, many wearing the typical red fes of pre-Ataturk days. Dies from the days of the sultans and of the republic, and a few ancient coins taken from recently discovered hoards were on exhibit.

In the near future Turkey plans to issue a new series of coins. A committee of prominent bankers, artists, sculptors, and engravers will work with the minister of finance to select the new designs from those submitted in a competition which any artist may enter. In bas-relief we examined one possible selection. The obverse portrayed the head of Atatürk; on the reverse was the windblown figure of a Turkish peasant woman, sturdy and erect. Upon

her shoulder she carried a bomb, symbolic of the resolute, united determination of all Turks to defend their freedom.

Escorted to the mint gate by our pleasant hosts, Ahmet's 1945 vintage Buick panted and rattled as we headed for the Grand Oriental bazaar to roam through nearly 3,000 shops on the prowl for antique brass lamp stands, bright early Turkish tiles, medallions, and naturally, old coins.

Birthday Tribute to Julius Windner

JULIUS WINDNER, who will be 80 this month, began his career as a jeweler, January 29, 1889, at the age of 13½ years in Vienna, Austria. In May, 1892, he sailed for America to attend the Chicago World's Fair but was robbed of all his possessions on landing in New York. There he secured employment and remained in America. Employed by Bailey, Banks and Biddle in Philadelphia from 1896 to 1903, he designed several bishops' rings and engraved a special sword for Cmdr. Phillips. He returned to Europe and worked as a jeweler in Paris and Berlin, retiring from active business in 1936.

Mr. Windner is in charge of the medals of the Philadelphia Geographic Society. Recently he signed and produced a 22 carat medal for Sir Edmund Hillary, conqueror of Mt. Everest.

He is a fine influence in the numismatic world, at the monthly meetings of the Philadelphia Coin Club, and the American Numismatic Association annual conventions.

Philadelphians remember him for the convention badge he produced from a sketch by Howard A. Davidson, the Philadelphia Coin Club's second president, for the 50th anniversary convention of the American

Numismatic Association in 1941. He also designed and executed a very appropriate badge and lady's pin for this convention. He has attended most national conventions since then and has always served with distinction on committees.

Mr. Windner is a great friend and advisor of the Philadelphia Coin Club, on whose cheer and condolence committee he has served for many years.

His most recent achievement has been the setting up of designs, arrangement and artistic proportions of the new American Numismatic Association membership medals. J. Otto Schweizer was, of course, the sculptor of the classical Alexander the Great on the obverse. The A.N.A. seal on the reverse was conceived by Joseph Hooper in 1892 but was revised and engraved by Julius Windner in 1947.

The medals, exhibited at the April 19th meeting of the Philadelphia club, were accepted with definite approval. The comments heard were praiseworthy for the neatness of the medals, their general design, and the care Mr. Windner exercised in engraving the member's name and the A.N.A. membership number.

Happy birthday, Julius!

— ARTHUR SIPE

1955 PROOF SETS

Proof sets for 1955 may be obtained from the Superintendent, U. S. Mint, 16th and Spring Garden Sts., Philadelphia 30, Pa. The price is \$2.10 per set with no limit as to the number that may be requested. Remittance in the form of postal, express or bank money order or certified check should accompany your order.

A.N.A. CONVENTION — OMAHA

Convention time is drawing nearer, and the various committees are hard at work planning a wonderful time for all of you. Addison W. Wilson, Chairman of the entertainment committee is busy setting up the entertainment for the banquet and making plans to keep you amused in your spare time.

Mrs. Judd and Kiki have their plans for the entertainment of the ladies and the youngsters pretty well mapped out. This will be welcomed by the entire family if you are planning your vacation during the convention.

There are several points of interest in and near Omaha that would enrich your vacation a lot. The world famous Boys Town is located just outside of Omaha. At Lincoln, 55 miles to the southwest is the very beautiful state Capitol building of Nebraska. Those of you who love trees could take a short drive of 45 miles to Nebraska City and visit the home of Arbor Day, the J. Sterling Morton mansion in Arbor Lodge State Park. There are over 275 varieties of trees and shrubs on the grounds and a large assortment of relics of the past displayed in the 52-room mansion and the stable. There are a lot of highlights within Omaha itself so plan to spend a week with us in August, and enjoy a vacation plus the convention. Those of you who wish to exhibit at the convention should contact John J. Gabaron, 210 North 32nd St., Lincoln, Nebraska, for reservations on the display cases.

— ELMER G. NELSON
Publicity Chairman

FROM THE GENERAL CHAIRMAN

Many of us are acquainted with the saying, "The hardest thing in the world to accept, and the easiest to give, is advice." To supplement my invitation to attend the 64th Annual Convention of the American Numismatic Association Convention in Omaha, Aug. 24 to 27 of this year, I would like to add a word of advice to the *new* members of the association.

There is no better place to acquire detailed knowledge of an avocation than at a national convention of individuals who are interested in similar activities. At the Omaha convention you will find and become acquainted with the leading collectors and dealers; you will have an opportunity to participate in and observe the conducting of an interesting auction of coins and currency; and, you will be able to view outstanding exhibits and form conclusions concerning better methods of displaying. In addition there is the Byron Reed Collection and Boys Town.

We are sure the experienced collectors will be in attendance, we would be delighted if a large majority of the new members also attend. But regardless of your status we want to assure both old and new that they will be cordially welcome, and that the convention will be well worth-while.

— RAYMOND J. LARSON
General Chairman

CONVENTION NOTE

The Women's Committee for the Omaha A. N. A. Convention, August 24th through August 28th, extends a most cordial welcome to all the ladies. Some form of entertainment for each day, so come prepared to enjoy yourselves. We'll do all we can to make you happy.

ADELINE BEBEE
ELLANORE JUDD
Co-Chairmen

ATTENTION, TEEN-AGERS — SUMMER RECIPE

Take a dozen or more enthusiastic young people; add in a healthy welcome from Omaha; stir in a schedule brimful of fun and frolic; knead in picnics, bar-b-ques, and other entertainments; mix well and let it bubble over for four glorious days.

The finished product will be the best convention ever —

Come and sample it.

KIKI JUDD, Chief Cook

CONVENTION EXHIBITS

Those who wish to place an exhibit at the A.N.A. convention in Omaha should check the rules as published in the May *Numismatist*, pp. 494-496. Exhibit cases with two compartments are 17½ inches by 23½ inches and steel cases are 18 inches by 30 inches, inside measurements. Exhibit applications are available from

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CALENDAR OF FUTURE NUMISMATIC EVENTS

In order that this Calendar be as complete as possible, secretaries of State or Regional Organizations should advise the General Secretary of future meetings which should be included.

Inquiries, further information, or reservations should be sent to official indicated.

American Numismatic Association. 64th annual convention. Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebraska. August 24-27, 1955. Raymond J. Larson, General Chairman, 423 N. 4th St., Plattsmouth, Neb.

Canadian Numismatic Association. Second annual convention. Sept. 7-8, 1955. Chateau Laurier, Ottawa, Canada.

Ohio State Numismatic Society. Annual convention. Sept. 17-18, 1955. Hotel Secor, Toledo, Ohio. S. L. Szyperski, General Chairman, 222 Austin St., Toledo, Ohio.

Colorado-Wyoming Numismatic Association. Annual convention. Oct. 1-2, 1955. Albany Hotel, Denver, Colo. C. G. Klein, Secretary, 5622 Balsam, Arvada, Colo.

Oklahoma-Kansas Numismatic Association. Eighth annual convention. Oct. 15-16, 1955. Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association. Third annual convention. October 28-30, 1955. Hotel Sylvania, Philadelphia, Penna. George W. Magee, General Chairman, 1304 Yarmouth Rd., Philadelphia 31, Penna. Eldridge G. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer, MANA Headquarters, 4228 19 St., N.E., Washington, D. C.

California State Numismatic Association. Seventeenth semiannual convention. Nov. 10-13, 1955. U. S. Grant Hotel, San Diego, Calif.

Iowa Numismatic Association. Annual convention. Nov. 19-20, 1955. Hotel Fort Des Moines, Des Moines, Iowa. Mrs. Elmer P. Laurent, Secretary, 212 28th Ave. N., Clinton, Iowa.

American Numismatic Association. 65th annual convention. Congress Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. Aug. 22-25, 1956. The 1957 convention will be held in Philadelphia, Pa. Time and place to be announced later.

NOMINATIONS REPORT

The following is a report of nominations for A.N.A. officers to be elected for the two-year period beginning with the installation at the convention in August, 1955. Additional nominations may be made until June 24, but nominations of persons not previously nominated for this election, received after June 15, should be accompanied by written acceptance of the nominees.

This report includes only nominations which have been accepted by the nominees. All others have been declined.

The July issue will include a final report of nominations and a brief personal history of each candidate, based on information supplied by the candidate.

The ballots will be mailed to each member early in July and must be returned in the envelopes provided by August 15 or delivered at the convention. The proxy system was abolished by action of the convention last year, so that no proxy forms will be used this year.

The numbers following the names of each candidate identify the nominators, listed below.

FOR PRESIDENT

Leonel C. Panosh **San Diego, Calif.**
37, 38, 101, 105, 106, 111, 113, 115, 116, 119, 120, 123, 124, 126, 128,
130, 132, 133, 134, 136, 138, 139, 140, 142, 143, 144, 145

FOR FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Capt. O. H. Dodson **United States Navy**
37, 38, 101, 105, 106, 111, 113, 115, 116, 119, 123, 124, 126, 128, 130,
132, 133, 136, 138, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145

FOR SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Col. James W. Curtis **Springfield, Ill.**
Same nominators as for First Vice President

FOR GENERAL SECRETARY

Lewis M. Reagan **Wichita, Kansas**
Same nominators as for First Vice President

FOR TREASURER

Harold R. Klein **Hinsdale, Ill.**
Same nominators as for First Vice President

FOR THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS (Five to be elected)

P. K. Anderson **Oklahoma City, Okla.**
37, 38, 101, 105, 106, 113, 115, 116, 124, 129, 132, 133, 136, 141,
142, 143, 144, 145

A. J. Croshier **Cleveland, Ohio**
1-38, 102, 103, 104, 107, 108, 109, 112, 114, 117, 118, 122,
127, 135, 137, 138, 141, 143, 145

John J. Pittman **Rochester, N. Y.**
114, 126, 128, 141

C. H. Ryan **Jersey City, N. J.**
115, 119, 124, 126, 128, 133, 136, 144

Don Sherer	Phoenix, Arizona
37, 38, 101, 111, 113, 115, 116, 119, 120, 123, 124, 126, 128, 132, 136, 138, 142, 143, 144, 145	
C. C. Shroyer	Fremont, Ohio
111, 123, 124, 126, 128, 130, 138	
Arthur Sipe	Drexel Hill, Penna.
37, 38, 101, 113, 116, 119, 121, 123, 125, 132, 133, 136, 138, 141, 142, 143, 145	
Glenn B. Smedley	Chicago, Illinois
37, 38, 101, 110, 111, 113, 115, 116, 119, 123, 124, 126, 128, 131, 132, 133, 136, 138, 142, 143, 144, 145	

NOMINATORS

In addition to those listed on page 498 of May issue:

Individuals

37 Esther G. Spence	38 William H. Spence
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Corporate Members

130 Cedar City Coin Club	138 Arkansas Valley Coin Club
131 Cheshire County Numis. Soc.	139 Long Beach Coin Club
132 Central States Numis. Soc.	140 Orange County Coin Club
133 Miami Coin Club	141 Washington Numismatic Soc.
134 San Bernardino County Coin Club	142 Central Illinois Numis. Soc.
135 New Castle Coin Club	143 Los Angeles Coin Club
136 Racine Numismatic Society	144 Brooklyn Coin Club
137 Dayton Coin Club	145 Northwest Coin Club

CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

All available bourse space has been reserved. No additional reservations can be accepted except in the event of a cancellation.

Adequate space is available in the Hotel Fontenelle, Omaha, Nebr., for all members and visitors who will attend the convention but reservations should be made in advance and directly with the hotel. Rates are moderate and air-conditioned rooms are available if desired. Please indicate on request for reservations that you are attending A.N.A. convention.

The convention auction catalog will be ready in July. A copy will be sent to any member who requests it . . . and not otherwise. Requests may be sent to Bebee's, 4514 N. 30th St., Omaha 11, Nebr., or to the office of the General Secretary.

A Convention Program Journal will be published, as usual, and a copy will be sent to any member who requests it. Send request to the General Secretary. This Journal will not contain any advertising. Dealers and others who wish to do so may have their names and addresses listed as patrons on payment of a nominal charge of \$5.00. Arrangements for this may be made, and remittance sent to

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Northwest Club's Convention

The Northwest Coin Club held its spring convention at the Ryan Hotel in St. Paul, Minnesota on April 16th and 17th.

Of the 25 original members Carl M. Becken, Julius A. Kurtz, Oce Curtis and Hjalmer Carlson are still active. During their years of membership, they have all served as officers of the club. F. B. Horn is president.

Sid Stolte, past president, was the master of ceremonies. Lewis M. Reagan, General Secretary of the A.N.A., attended and gave a brief talk on matters pertaining to the A.N.A.

Following the banquet, A.N.A. slides were shown. A fine auction was held in the afternoon and evening.



Left to right, Paul Olson, past president of the Northwest Coin Club; Berry Horn, president; Lewis M. Reagan, A.N.A. general secretary; Elmer Tupper, historian.

50 years ago — The Lewis and Clark Exposition was held in Portland, Ore., to celebrate the expedition of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark 100 years earlier. Commemorative gold dollars, designed by C. E. Barber, were struck, 9,997 with the date 1904 and 10,000 with the date 1905.

An unexplored field is entered by the authors and may prove to be a fertile one for token collectors. The help of others is sought to bring some measure of completeness to a new subject.

TENTATIVE LISTING OF FOREIGN RUBBER STORE CARDS

By Melvin and George Fuld

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THROUGH the courtesy of Max M. Schwartz of New York, we are listing the foreign rubber cards and tokens in his collection. It must be realized that no attempt was made to complete foreign specimens. We would appreciate any information on the listed pieces. Unlisted pieces will likewise be appreciated. There are numerous foreign rubber (or celluloid) transportation tokens that have been neglected.

- F 1 Estab. ABLICIMIANIC * ACUA - SABIA Rx VALE EN MERC ENFULPERIA 10¢. Rb-14½.
- F 2 ANJELES Obverse, DE LOS ANJELES. 1889. In field 5 pointed star, at top point of star 151-345 Rx VEINTE CENTAVOS. CHILE. Rb-19.
- F 3 BLANCHARDS / L^{TD} / Rx 3^D. Pl.1-14½.
- F 4 BLANTYRE CO.OPERATIVE SOCIETY L^{TD} In field 1.^D Rx Same Rr. 15½.
- F 5 BONESS CO.OPERATIVE SOCIETY. LIMITED. In field ½.^D Rx B - Rb-15.
- F 6 BRITISH RESTAURANT / NEWCASTLE / UPON / TYNE / Rx Meat - (7^D- 1942 in ink). Rl-22.
- F 7 Same obverse as F 6 Rx TEA / OR / COFFEE / (1^D- 1942 in ink). Rg-22.
- F 8 Same obverse as F 6 Rx SOUP (2^D-1942 in ink). Rr-22.
- F 9 Same obverse as F 6 Rx SWEET (2^D-1942 in ink). Ro-22.
- F 10 CASA GRANDE - Obverse. In field HACIENDA / CASA GRANDE / Around edge VALE TRINTA CENTAVOS. LUIS G. ALBRECHT. Rx. VALETREINTA CENTAVOS - L.C.A. - in field 30 CENTAVOS. Rr-18.
- F 11 Same obverse as F 9 - Rx Same as reverse F 9 except in field 5 CENT.
- F 12 C.S.F.A. in field - 10, CENTAVOS DE MERCADERIAS EN CARMEN ALTO. Rx Retrograve border. Rb-15.
- F 13 Same obverse as F 11 on "20, CENTAVOS" - Rx Blank. Rw-11½.
- F 14 DARLINGTON CO*OP LIND. SOCIETY L.^D In field PINT. Rx Same. Pl.1-16.
- F 14a Same. Pl.p-16.
- F 15 DECS Rx ONE PINT. Plr-15½.
- F 16 MINA DES CUBRIDORA. In field 10 CENTAVOS. Rx COMPANIA DEMINAS DE CARRIZALLILLO. In field 10 CENTAVOS.
- F 17 COMPANIA ESP LOTADORA DE AGUAS. DE CARACOLES In field 2 Rx Retrograve border. Rb-23½.
- F 18 COMPANIA • HUANCHACA • DE • BOLIVIA • In field H in wire circle. Rx VALE • EN • MERCADERIAS • HUANCHACA around edge. 10 / CENTAVOS / DE / BOLIVIANO /. Rw-16.

Melvin and George Fuld are regular contributors to *The Numismatist*. They are specialists in tokens and are widely known for their efforts in that phase of numismatics.

- F 19 COMPANIA • HUANCHACA * DE, BOLIVIA * in field P in wire circle. Rx VALE. EN. MERCADERIS * PULACAYO * Around edge 20 / CENTAVOS / DE / BOLIVIANO /.
- F 20 LOCHWINNOCH CO*OPERATIVE SOCIETY L^{TD} Rx Same. Pl.p13.
- F 21 NEWCASTLE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY L^{TD} in field DAIRY DEPT. Rx 1 Pint. Plg-15½.
- F 21a Same obverse and reverse. Pl-r-15½.
- F 22 PAISLEY CO-OP MANUF^G SOCIETY L^{TD} In field 2^D in circle Rx 2^D in circle. Pl.l-13½.
- F 23 Same obverse and reverse except amount is 4^D obverse and reverse. Plg-13½.
- F 24 Same obverse and reverse except amount is 5^D obverse and reverse. Plg-13½.
- F 25 Same obverse and reverse except amount is 6^D obverse and reverse. Pl.l-13½.
- F 26 Same obverse and reverse except amount is 1 obverse and reverse. Pl.r-13½.
- F 27 SALITRES — Obverse COMPANIA DE SALITRES DE TERAPACA * In field CAROLINA Rx VALE EN LA PULPERIA DOS REALS, Rb-19.
- F 28 S.CC. Obverse figure of castle / S.C.C. / R. 50 W./ GALS. Rx 7½ / PENCE / STG./ Rr-Oct-16.
- F 29 MINAS SCHWAGER CORONEL In field, pick; axe and lantern. Rx CINCO CENTAVOS, in field 5. Rb-15½.
- F 30 Same obverse Rx DIEZ CENTAVOS, in center 10. Rr-15.
- F 31 Same obverse Rx VEINTE CENTAVOS, in center 20. Rr-19.
- F 32 SIMON, MAY C^O L^{TD} Rx 1^D Pl-l-14.
- F 33 SKELTON. IN • CLEVELAND CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY L^{TD} — Rx ½ PINT. Rr-17½.
- F 34 Salon-Union / YGUIQUE Rx VALE / 1 / BITTER. Rw-14½.
- F 35 WEST GATE DINING HALL. In field MENS in circle Rx 1^D. Pl.h-16.
- F 36 WALLINGTON QUAY & HOWDON • INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY. In center HALF-PINT / MILK / Rx Same. Rg-20½.

Numismatic Publications in 1954

By D. Wayne Johnson, A. N. A. No. 17047

ACCORDING to information from the Library of Congress there were only nine books which appeared in the United States during 1954 and which were classified entirely, or partly, numismatic. This is the smallest number of numismatic books to be published in any calendar year since 1945.

For the three years preceding 1954 there was an increasing number of numismatic books appearing each year. This is shown in the following statistics of books published in each respective year: 11 in 1951, 13 in 1952, 17 in 1953, and nine in 1954.

Ever since the year 1931, when over 30 numismatic books were pub-

lished, there has been an over-all trend of fewer and fewer books published on numismatics. If we observe the number of books for the first half of each decade, this will be noted: 1930-34, 117; 1940-44, 77; 1950-54, 65.

This information is taken from the catalog cards published by the Card Division, Library of Congress, and it does not include such publications as the *Coin Collector's Journal* which is cataloged as a periodical (even for the later monograph numbers) nor does it include annual coin catalogs which are assigned series cataloging. The number of books for any year can never be assumed as being the final number;

the library could possibly receive a book published in a previous year at any time.

The books which appeared in 1954 are: William D. Craig, *Germanic Coinages*; Ervin J. Felix, *How to Collect Stamps, Coins, and Paper Money*; Michael Grant, *Roman Imperial Money*; Herbert Eugene Ives, *The Venetian Gold Ducat and Its Imitations*; Edward Kann, *Illustrated Catalog of Chinese Coins*;

Frank Alvin Limpert, *United States National Bank Notes*; George Carpenter Miles, *Coins of the Spanish-Muluk al-Tawa'if*; Wayne Raymond, *The Standard Paper Money Catalogue*; and Committee on Banking and Currency (U. S. Congress, House), *Coin to Commemorate Louisiana Purchase*. The latter is the published report of the committee hearings and is given full cataloging by the Library of Congress.

On the Sociology of Auctions

The following editorial is reprinted from the March issue of the Parke-Bernet Galleries *Bulletin*:

THE pages of Orwell, Huxley and Karp — mentors of our future, and beardless prophets of uniformity for all and sundry — leave us under little illusion in regard to our leisure occupations in the year 1984 or thereabouts. For that matter, the seers are not in complete agreement as to whether there will be any leisure at all, other than for state-supervised procreation, and, doubtless, grimmer pastimes with political overtones (such as watching bureaucrats on the 47-inch TV).

At all events, you will not find, in the pages of the New Revelations, any mention of auction sales. Captious critics will remark at this stage that there would also be no mention of chautauquas, theological seminars or burlesque shows; and we can only agree, bewailing the fact that when we are about to make a point, somebody always gets up and offers this sort of thing. Now, where were we? On the verge of telling you, when you interrupted us, why a totalitarianism

will have no part of public auction.

Joking apart, we cannot think, off-hand, of any institution that partakes more of the quality of individualism in action than the salesroom. The unhindered transference of ownership of privately-owned accumulations of goods; the stark publicity of every operation of the auction machinery; the impartiality of the auctioneer-umpire; the free competition among a bidding public drawn from all classes; the prices set voluntarily on the objects by the individual wills of the bidders; and even the air of carnival that hovers lightly over every sale, all attest to the existence of a democratically unhampered social and economic activity.

We have recently been celebrating a Walt Whitman anniversary; and we find it among our lost hopes that the poet might have clanged out a carillon to the democracy of the auction room. This is the sort of thing a short sunny spell in February does to us.

Communists Buying Coins

The *Pittsburgh Press* of April 1 prints a UP story saying the communist and national Chinese are waging a new "war" in which they are contesting for ancient paintings, rare coins and other objects of art. Many of the transactions take place in Hong Kong with American dollars. Re-

cently communist agents discovered a Chinese refugee with a collection of more than 100,000 pieces of China's ancient money in gold, silver, copper and paper, dating back to the Chou dynasty (403-211 B.C.). The communists bought it for \$125,000. (S. F. Laughlin forwarded the newspaper clipping to *The Numismatist*.)

The amount of gold produced in the United States from 1792 to 1951 is 286,271,171 fine ounces.

Here is the story of the American dime from its initial association with the national fight against poliomyelitis to a proposed honor for the discoverer of the new polio vaccine.

The March of Dimes

By Stuart Mosher, LM 205

IT IS doubtful if any fund raising campaign ever met with such wholehearted response as did the "March of Dimes" which was started in 1938 by the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, in the fight against infantile paralysis. Under the control of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the principal organization for raising funds and directing activities, over 51 million dollars had been raised and 3,100 chapters had been organized by 1953.

Hope was centered on the development of a vaccine that would give immunity against the polio virus. On April 12, 1955, just 10 years to the day of the death of President Roosevelt, a vaccine developed by Dr. Jonas Edward Salk, was announced successful. It has been predicted that polio will eventually become as rare as smallpox which even U. S. doctors now rarely get a chance to identify.

The part played by the humble dime in this mighty battle is one to stir the imagination of even the most indifferent citizen. In the beginnings we have the "March of Dimes," organized for President Roosevelt. Despite rumors to the contrary, he had nothing whatsoever to do with issuing the dimes which bears his portrait and were first struck in 1946. Not long after the appearance of this dime, it was widely rumored that the initials J. S. (John R. Sinnock, the designer) which appears opposite the date at

the base of the neck, stood for Joseph Stalin, and were put there because of a promise Roosevelt made to Stalin when they met at the Yalta Conference in February, 1945.

The close connection this Roosevelt dime had with the "March of Dimes" is sometimes underestimated by collectors. That it was designed to play an important part in the war against polio is revealed by the following excerpt taken from the 15th report of the Commission of Fine Arts, June 1944-June 1948:

At a meeting of the Commission of Fine Arts held on November 30, 1945, the Commission received a letter from Mr. Leland Howard, Acting Director of the United States Mint, stating, in part:

"It is desired that the new (Franklin D. Roosevelt) dimes be produced at the beginning of the calendar year 1946 in sufficient quantity to use them in the infantile paralysis drive that year. Pressure is upon the mint, therefore, to complete the designs and prepare the dies so that large-scale production can start January 1."

Arrangements were made with the sculptor member of the Commission, Mr. Lee Lawrie, to inspect photographs of the models, and preliminary report was sent to the Acting Director of the Mint. Mr. John R. Sinnock, chief engraver of the mint in Philadelphia, made the changes recommended in the models for both the obverse and the reverse. Photographs of the revised models were submitted to the Commission and the designs for the obverse and the reverse were regarded satisfactory.

The dies were soon prepared and a limited quantity of the new dimes was put into circulation on the late president's birthday, January 30, 1946. They have been coined continuously since then at all three

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mints and none of them is rare. That is the brief story of the Roosevelt dime and the part it played in the "March of Dimes" to stamp out polio.

Commemorative Dime Proposed

To commemorate the victory and to honor the discoverer of the vaccine the following Bill (S.1695) was introduced April 14 by Sen. Frank A. Barrett, of Wyoming:

To provide for the issuance of a special 10-cent piece in recognition of the recent discovery of a vaccine by Doctor Jonas E. Salk for the prevention of poliomyelitis.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in recognition of the recent discovery of a vaccine by Doctor Jonas E. Salk for the prevention of poliomyelitis, there shall be coined during 1955 such number as the Secretary of the Treasury in his discretion may determine of silver 10-cent pieces of standard size, weight, and composition. The profile of the said Doctor Salk shall appear on one side of such pieces with the word "Liberty" inscribed over such profile, the word "Salk" inscribed under such profile, the word "Polio" inscribed to the left of such profile, and the word "Victory" inscribed to the right of such profile. The reverse side of such pieces shall be of an appropriate design to be fixed by the Director of the Mint, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Sec. 2. The coins herein authorized shall bear the date "1955" and shall be issued for general circulation as soon as practicable during the calendar year 1955, and shall be legal tender at the amount of their face value in any payment.

Sec. 3. All laws now in force relating to the subsidiary silver coins of the United States and the coining or striking of the same; regulating and guarding the process of coinage; providing for the purchase of material, and for the transportation, distribution, and redemption of coins; for the prevention of debasement or counterfeiting; for the security of the coins, or for any other purpose, whether such laws are penal or otherwise, shall, as far as applicable, apply to the coinage herein authorized.

The bill was read twice and then referred to the committee on banking and currency. While the inten-

tions of the sponsors are estimable and while the proposed methods of distributing the coins will eliminate larcenous commissions, it is doubtful if it will be reported on favorably in its present form. The long established prejudice against using the portraits of living persons on coins is one reason. From an artistic and even practical viewpoint, the proposed obverse design is objectionable. It is difficult to imagine a coin the size of a dime encompassing so much information in so little space. Even if it were accomplished our coinage laws, being what they are, would make it necessary to load the reverse with an overabundance of words, numerals, and symbols.

Editor's note: A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 119), introduced on May 2 in the House of Representatives by Charles S. Gubser of California, and reads as follows:

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that to commemorate the discovery by Doctor Jonas Salk of the Salk poliomyelitis vaccine, and to honor the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis for its sponsorship of the March of Dimes campaign which provided funds to make such discovery possible, the Secretary of the Treasury should cause to be struck silver 10-cent pieces of standard size, weight, and composition, and of a special appropriate design, and in such quantity, as may be fixed by the Secretary.

This resolution is also in the hands of the banking and currency committee.

Platinum Once Worth Less Than Silver

Platinum, found originally in a region of South America that is now part of Colombia, was valued at less than silver by the Spanish colonists. They could not profitably separate it from gold nor could they melt or destroy it by fire. Today the price of platinum is about one hundred times that of silver.

CENTRAL STATES CONVENTION

THE 13th annual convention of the Central States Numismatic Society which met in Detroit's Statler hotel April 29 through May 1 has been labeled a success by those attending. The convention committee, headed by General Chairman Ivan C. Ebeling, president of the host Detroit Coin Club, laid its emphasis on a warm, friendly gathering rather than one which "broke all records."

Bourse tables to the number of 51 ringed the huge ballroom, in the center of which were grouped the displays of 28 exhibitors. Lighting was good, as was business. Trophies provided by the host were presented to the exhibit winners by Honorary President Lee F. Hewitt before 220 banqueters. The "point" system, modeled on that used by the Hawthorne Coin Club of Chicago so

successfully the last three years, determined the award winners. Judges were M. Vernon Sheldon, A. J. Croshier, and Mark Salton.

The best in show plaque winner was F. W. MacKay of New York with a magnificent display of orders and decorations. He also placed first in the medals and decorations class. A large exhibit of 21 cases of paper money with 38 feet of vertical backing shown by Dr. Frank A. Limpert of Royal Oak, Mich., received honorable mention in the best of show class, and first in the paper money division. A display of 48 cases containing over 4,000 foreign coins, set up on easels, was shown by Edwin F. Lashmet, Detroit, and won first place in the foreign classification. Other first awards went to W. M. Jacka, Bedford, Ohio, in the U. S. coin divi-



Contemplating the trophies to be awarded exhibit winners is Lee F. Hewitt, CSNS honorary president and editor of *The Numismatic Scrapbook*. On his left are Mrs. Lewis M. Reagan and Mr. Reagan, A.N.A. general secretary.
(Photo by Russell Wm. Stehfest)

sion; Benjamin F. Smith, Oak Park, Mich., in the ancient class; and Garland F. Stephens, Wytheville, Va., in the special group.

Additional trophies went to John R. Drazen, St. Clair Shores, Mich., and Clyde L. Gravlin, Royal Oak, for second and third in the U. S. coins class; Carl H. Subac, Chicago, Ill., second in ancients; Robert M. Lienert, Berkley, Mich., second, and D. E. Limpert, Royal Oak, third, in foreign money; H. V. Olive, Spring Valley, Ill., second in paper money; Arlie Slabaugh, Park Ridge, Ill., second, and Earl C. Brown, Chicago, Ill., third in special group.

Pres. C. C. Shroyer presented the CSNS medal of merit to Lewis M. Reagan, A.N.A. general secretary, and James Hurlbut, Chicago radio announcer and newscaster, in recognition of their contributions to numismatics. Mr. Reagan also received the Farran Zerbe award from Mr. Sheldon, a former recipient of the award.

James Kelly sold 1839 lots in a three-session auction cried by John D'Amato of New York. Prices real-

ized were generally good, some of which were:

1891CC \$20 gold	\$ 150
1926S 20 gold	1200
1929 20 gold	380
1851 Humbert \$50, 880 Thous.	775
1856 Flying eagle cent	340
1905 \$1 Lewis and Clark ..	97.50
1877 Indian cent proof	80
1670 Canada Louis XIV	
15 sols	525
1935 Spanish Trail 50c	35
1937 Antietam 50c	24.50

CSNS officers re-elected for the ensuing year are C. C. Shroyer, Fremont, Ohio, president and E. C. Gerber, Milwaukee, vice president. Earl C. Brown, Chicago, was elected secretary-treasurer for a two-year term at Milwaukee and has another year to serve. Governors are: Harry X Boosel, Chicago; Harold L. Bowen, Detroit; Harry Collura, Milwaukee; Loyd B. Gettys, David City, Neb.; Sol Kaplan, Cincinnati; Richard D. Kenney, Louisville; Mark H. Nelson, Minneapolis; Theodore F. Pokorney, Chicago; Leo G. Terry, Indianapolis.

MORE JOHN REICH MEDALS

By Georgia S. Chamberlain, Alexandria, Va.

HERE are two more medals to be added to those of John Reich published in the March, 1955, *Numismatist*. On page 97 of the sale catalog of the collection of Charles I. Bushnell, June 20-24, 1882, catalogued and sold by S. H. and H. Chapman, are listed:

THOMAS JEFFERSON

1843 Very fine and expressive half-length bust to left; "Th. Jefferson President of the U. S. March 1801." Rev. A beautiful figure of Liberty holding Liberty staff in right hand, and in left a scroll inscribed, "Declar. Independence," is resting on a rock, inscribed, "Constitution"; flags, drums, spear, etc., in background; an eagle holding an olive branch flying towards her; "Under his wing is protection"; in exg. "To commemorate July 4, 1776." Silver. Proof. 29. This exquisite medal by Jacob (*sic*) Reich is extremely rare, and very seldom seen in any metal, but in silver it is of even greater rarity. The specimen in Micky sale brought \$30.

JAMES MADISON

1851 Fine bust to left; "James Madison President of the U. S. A. D. 1809." Rev. clasped hands, etc. On rim on obv. is the letter "R" for Jacob (*sic*) Reich; never saw this on any of these medals before, and this is the only one in this series bearing it, with the exception of the Jefferson in silver, where the initial is on the base of the bust. V. rare. 48.

The first metal acquired for United States coinage was six pounds of old copper at one shilling three pence a pound in 1793.

Notes & Queries

"In God We Trust"

Representative Herman P. Eberhart introduced another bill (H.R. 6174) May 11th to place the motto "In God We Trust" on all U. S. paper currency. This bill specifies that the addition of the motto shall be made "at such time as new dies" are adopted in connection with the treasury's current program to increase press capacity.

Condition

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

Dr. John F. Lhotka in the concluding part of his treatise on East Roman coinage, published in the April issue of *Numismatist*, (incidentally, an excellent piece of work, and the Edward T. Newell Memorial Award well deserved) discusses the problem of classification of condition.

His suggestions deserve attention, although I am afraid that a classification as "desirable" combining state of preservation plus a certain degree of rarity may easily lead to abuses. While anybody familiar with coins can form an opinion on the state of preservation, only few can rightly judge the degree of rarity of a certain item. This requires a good deal of research and a thorough knowledge and experience.

A coin collector should bear in mind that a coin from 500 to 2500 years old simply cannot be as fine as a Lincoln cent made yesterday. That holds true especially for copper and bronze coins which were in circulation for scores of years, and which, at the beginning, were frequently carelessly struck.

In numerous cases I have handled specimens from auction sales conducted before the first world war, and which were described at that time as "very good." Now the same piece is classified as "very fine." This upgrading was a slow process, due to the desire of collectors throughout the world for fine coins ("fine" in a literal, not numismatic sense).

When a hoard is unearthed, or even when a large group of coins is offered from somewhere, it is quite natural that the majority of such pieces is of inferior condition, yet you would find only a few of them listed as "good," and the majority as "fine" or better.

Let's go back where we started, 50 or 80 years ago. Let's use the full

scale from poor to fair to good to fine and so on, and let us all use these attributes in a literal sense only. A "good" coin is really g-o-o-d!

My appeal goes to the collector: Don't shy away when you see a coin classified "good." Order it on approval! Maybe it is really g-o-o-d!

— EDWARD GANS
Berkeley,
Calif.

Canadian 1954 Mintage

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

Others have been misled into listing the number of coins *issued* from the Royal Canadian mint during 1954 as the mint report for 1954. This mistake is due to the fact that the Royal Canadian mint issues coins by denominations and not by dates. The coins *issued* last year did not necessarily bear the 1954 date. Among those *issued* were 541 nickel 5¢ pieces, none of which has been struck since the commemorative 5¢ of 1951.

The Royal Canadian mint report for the calendar year 1954, page 5, gives the following as the "number of good pieces coined" in 1954:

Silver dollar	246,606
Silver 50 cents	506,305
Silver 25 cents	2,318,891
Silver 10 cents	4,493,150
Steel 5 cents	6,998,662
Bronze cent	22,181,760

— PETER S. FAVRO,
Toronto, Canada

Toledo to Celebrate

The 20th anniversary of the Toledo Coin Club will be held in conjunction with the Ohio State Numismatic Society's annual convention at Hotel Secor in Toledo Sept. 17 and 18. A large exhibit of coins and a souvenir program depicting the club's history will feature the event. Bourse tables are available and an outstanding auction sale will be conducted by Michael Kolman, Jr., of Cleveland.

Elsor Heater is president of the Toledo club and Sol Kaplan of Cincinnati heads the Ohio State Numismatic Society. S. L. Szyperski is general chairman and E. M. Kaufman is co-chairman.

Monetary Conditions in Nepal

Both the Nepali and the Indian rupee circulate in Nepal, whose for-

eign trade is conducted mainly with India. The Nepali rupee, more commonly called the "mohur," circulates mainly in the valley of Katmandu and the hilly region. The Indian rupee, which circulates freely in the Tarai and other areas, is also accepted as legal tender, and constitutes the medium for most government revenue. The volume of the mohur in circulation has been unofficially estimated at nearly 100 million Nepali rupees, which is, however, a very small figure in comparison with either the population of about 8 million or estimated exports of Rs 270 million.

The rate of exchange between the mohur and the Indian rupee, which toward the end of 1950 had been around 110 mohurs to 100 rupees, had moved by September, 1952 to 145 to 100. The government then announced the fixing of the rate at 128 to 100, undertaking to supply Indian rupees at this rate to importers only. The open market rate depreciated further, however, to 160 to 100 by June, 1953 and to 175 to 100 in the autumn of 1954. In December, 1954, the government revised the rate at which it was prepared to supply Indian rupees, to 150 to 100 for essential imports and to 175 to 100 for other purposes.

Kreisberg Results

Abner Kreisberg sold 2480 auction lots February 28th, with some of these prices being realized:	
1831 Half cent, no die break, pf	\$ 76.00
1852 Half cent, sm berries, pf	66.00
1793 Lge cent, Crosby 4C, ch	
Am, vf	165.00
1793 Lge cent, Liberty cap,	
abt f	175.00
1799 Over 98 lge cent, f plus	167.50
1856 Flying eagle, toned, pf	265.00
1914-D cent, brown, unc	61.00
1864 Two cents, vf	15.00
1864 Three cents, br pf	73.50
1794 Half dime, vf	57.50
1797 Half dime, 13 stars, abt	
unc	127.50
1877 Five cents, br pf	127.50
1804 Dime, 14 stars, rev xf	227.50
1895-O Dime, unc	230.00
1918 over 17-S Quarter, abt unc	151.00
1914 Half dollar, br pf	160.00
1836 Gobrecht below base dollar	306.00
1936 Proof set	115.00
Massachusetts oak tree shilling	43.50
Bechtler \$5 gold, br unc	145.00
1848 CAL \$2.50 gold, vf	155.00
1866 \$5 gold motto over	
eagle pf	155.00
1831 Russia 6 rubles platinum	100.00

Texas Bonds of 1861 in Court

Last year Texas passed an act to

allow Mrs. M. B. Buford, New Orleans, La., to sue the state for settlement of her claim on \$46,000 in April 8, 1861 Texas bonds. Recently she filed her claim in court, estimating the current value of the bonds at compound interest at \$46 million.

"An \$11 Bill"

Much publicity attended the discovery by Mrs. Hannah Hahn O'Connor of New York City of what the newspapers have christened "an \$11 bill." The two denomination note (\$10 on the face and \$1 on the back) was found in her pay envelope by Mrs. O'Connor. Reportedly a coin dealer's offer of \$100 was turned down. David McClymont, assistant curator of the Chase Manhattan National bank's moneys of the world museum, is supposed to have shrewdly observed it was worth "whatever the trade will bear," while Henry J. Holtzclaw, director of the bureau of printing and engraving, said such a freak bill might be found among 150 million banknotes and that it was "an example of human frailty," according to news accounts. Since bills are printed 18 to the sheet, there must be 17 others somewhere in the country. Are there?

Washington Talks Medals

Some congressmen are toying with the idea of a medal for distinguished civilian achievement, as is evidenced by bills introduced in the senate and the house. Sen. Smith of New Jersey, for himself and 17 other senators, on April 19, offered a bill (S. 1735) and Representative Frelinghuysen proposed one (H. R. 5699) the next day in the house, asking for "public recognition in public affairs, social betterment, science, health and medicine, education, letters, arts, law, engineering, agriculture, labor, industry, and related fields, to foster those cultural qualities and innovations essential to the development of a high civilization and conducive to the maintenance of peace, which are of paramount importance to humanity at all times." The recognition is to be a medal and a parchment testimonial. Recommendations for the award are to be made by a board of five members each of whom shall be appointed by the president for a term of five years. The board is to be under the Secretary of health, education and welfare for supervision and routine management. Medals will be conferred by the president with suitable ceremonies and may be awarded posthumously. The

senate bill has been referred to the committee on labor and public welfare and the house bill, to the committee on education and labor.

Representative Davidson introduced a bill April 20 requesting a congressional medal for distinguished achievement but it differs in details from the above. Also, it provides that the initial award shall go to Dr. Jonas Salk for his anti-polio vaccine discovery. This was the third bill proposed by Representative Davidson on the same subject, the first having been placed before the house on April 14 in the form of a joint resolution (H.J. Res. 278) authorizing the secretary of the treasury to strike a gold medal and appropriating \$2,500 for the purpose. On the 19th Davidson was back again with another joint resolution (H.J. Res. 283) seeking a distinguished civilian achievement medal for Dr. Salk only.

The senate bill and house concurrent resolution calling for a special Salk dime are covered elsewhere in this issue.

Other bills and resolutions concerning medals for Dr. Salk were offered by Sen. Potter (S.J. Res. 66), Representative Eberharter (H.R. 5669), distinguished civilian achievement medal, the first to go to Dr. Salk), Representative Reuss (H.J. Res. 284, gold medal for Dr. Salk), Representative Roosevelt (H.R. 5974, distinguished civilian achievement, first two of which go to Basil O'Connor and Dr. Salk) and Representative Derounian (H.J. Res. 277, gold medal for Dr. Salk). All were referred to the appropriate senate or house banking and currency committee.

Auction Prices at New York Convention

The Dr. Clifford Smith collection of U. S., foreign and ancient coins, as well as paper money, was offered for sale at the first Metropolitan New York Numismatic convention recently held in New York City. Stack's conducted the auction which was attended by several hundred collectors. Active bidding on all series brought about a number of new price records.

Some realized prices were: 1796 half dollar, \$1100; 1797 half dollar, \$900; 1874CC half dollar, \$225; 1838 Gobrecht dollar, \$775; 1851 proof silver dollar, \$750; 1852 proof silver dollar, \$650; 1858 silver dollar, \$400; 1869 legal tender \$50 note, \$1150; 1890 \$100 treasury note "watermelon reverse" \$800; 1891 \$50 coin note, \$1600.

Among the gold coins, the 1796 no star \$2.50, \$500; 1808 \$2.50, \$500; 1873

\$3 proof, \$300; 1875 \$3 proof, \$4500; 1876 \$3, \$800; the rare 1815 \$5, \$4750; 1819 \$5, \$3500; 1827 \$5, \$2400; 1828 \$5, \$2700; the 1933 \$10 gold piece brought \$1000 and the 1930S \$20, \$700. The highlight of the auction was the 1829 large date \$5 gold piece, which sold for \$11,000, a new record for this coin.

Minnesota Commemorative Proposed

A bill (S. 1910) was introduced by Sen. Thye on May 9 to authorize the coinage of 15,000 half dollars to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the admission of Minnesota as a state. Distribution would be through the Minnesota Statehood Centennial Commission and all coins would bear the date 1958. Coins would be minted as required by the commission in lots of not less than 5,000 at a time. The final date of striking is set at Dec. 31, 1958. The bill has been referred to the banking and currency committee.

"Coins for Schools" Drive a Success

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for using my letter in the March *Numismatist*. This brought a wonderful response from all over the country and even Venezuela. At last count we had between 60 and 70 different countries and provinces represented. The coins were put into 2" x 2" x $\frac{3}{16}$ " plastic; the paper money was sealed into plexiglas storm window paper. We displayed the coins and had write-ups in the local and Rockford papers. The local radio station donated 15 minutes of time and is interested in a regular 15-minute show once a month.

The coins are to be presented to the superintendent of schools at our May meeting. He has shown great interest.

The Sterling-Rock Falls Coin Club want to give our vote of thanks to you, the A.N.A. and the many generous people who helped us collect the foreign coins and paper money we needed for the two grade schools. The project is, we believe, a huge success.

— MILTON F. WARD
A.N.A. No. 23117
1408 9th Ave.
Rock Falls, Ill.

No Australian Proofs

Dear Mr. Bradfield:

I wrote you that the Australian government was going to issue proof

sets showing portrait of Queen Elizabeth II, but the following letter tells a different story.

— BERNARD BLATT
120 Seventh Ave.
Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Blatt:

Your letter of April 11th to hand and I regret to say that your information is most incorrect. I have only recently been in contact with the Secretary of the Treasury here on this very matter (striking of proofs) and the reply reads "...your request cannot be granted, owing to the great strain it would place on the Mint, which is at present working at high pressure supplying our currency needs." Further, I am advised that the sets provided to the Chase National Bank were not "proof sets" but only "uncirc." and especially cased for the bank.

No, Mr. Blatt, our Government cannot be persuaded to take any numismatic interest in our currency. Collectors here would welcome the opportunity to secure proof sets. But no, we cannot even get a complete set of Elizabeth II coinage. The various denominations come out at irregular intervals. Right at the moment we are still waiting for the 1953 half penny of Elizabeth II, despite the fact that 10 were struck for the Chase National Bank. So there we are. You may publish this statement if you like. Cheerio.

— W. E. CURRAN, Secretary
Numismatic Association
of Australia
Victoria, Australia

Gives Coin Books

The library of the University of California received a gift of a 12-volume set of Grand Duke Georgi Michailovich's *Coins of Russia* (published 1888-1914) on March 28. The donor was Gleb A. Popoff who presented the set in memory of his wife, Mrs. Frances Popoff. Mr. Popoff plans to give more numismatic books to the university library later.

What Others Publish

MANA News, April, 1955, gave Middle Atlantic Numismatic Association internal news, "Briefs by Breen," Mildred Sherry's "Numismatic Glossary for Non-collectors," and part 2 of Breen's "Unique American Coins."

Seaby's *Coin and Medal Bulletin*, April, 1955, continued Stride's "Royal Mint," "Kozolubski's "Bactrian and Indo-Greek Coinage," and offers regular sections on publications received,

letters to the editor, and war medal notes; also included is a short account of "Those Thirty Pieces of Silver" by C. E. Tuckwood. Coins for sale are listed as usual.

The house committee on banking and currency hearing on the Louisiana Purchase commemorative coin which was held in March, 1953, finally came off the press and is available from the U. S. government printing office, Washington, D. C.

Numismatic Scrapbook, April 20, 1955, contained Dr. Mihaly Kupa's "Check List of Dates of the Pengo-Filler Coins of Hungary, 1926-1945," Glenn B. Smedley's "An Early Bank Note of the Midwest," "North Carolina's Private Mint," R. E. Brooks' "Numismatics and the Circus," and continued series by Earl C. Brown, James Curtis, John D. Davenport, Arlie Slabaugh and Edward Weikert.

Apollo, Jan., 1955 has an article, "Beautiful Women on Ancient Coins," by Michael Grant. The February issue of the same magazine carried a more specialized discussion of "Dominant Roman Women on Coins," by the same author.

Ars Orientalis, Vol. 1 pages 187-191, 1954, offered "Samarra Mint," by G. C. Miles.

Canadian Art, Vol. 12, No. 2, pages 86-88, 1955, contained "Art Forum: Objections to the Design of the New Canadian Bank Notes," by A. Cloutier.

Antiques, Jan., 1955, ran Kenneth Scott's "Colonial Silversmiths as Counterfeiters." The Sept., 1954 issue of this magazine printed a two-page story on "Currier's Express Train and Legal Tender," by Lewis Miles Raisig.

In Carnegie Magazine, June, 1954, Dorothy Griswold discussed "Coins That Talk - Greek and Roman."

The *Connoisseur* of both March and May, 1954 had references to last year's sale of the palace collections of Egypt.

Archaeology, March, 1954 carried an article by A. A. Boyce on "The Foundation and Birthday of Rome in Legend and History."

"Aluminum in Coins, Tokens and Medals" appeared in the March, 1955 issue of *Modern Metals*.

"Black Light" for Detecting Counterfeits

Ultraviolet or "black light" has long been established as a scientific aid in detecting counterfeit stamps and currency, and also those built up by clever artists. A comparison of a counterfeit with a genuine under "black light" many times reveals amazing differences which would not

show up under ordinary inspection. Such an accessory has heretofore been out of the price range of the average collector. For a "black light" to be effective, its emission curves must show a radiation in the region of approximately 3200 and 3800 Angstroms. It is reported that a complete outfit, containing lamp, adapter, shade, etc., and designed to work from any household electric outlet is available from Norman, 168-74 92nd Road, Jamaica 33, New York.

Price Lists

Henry Christensen, Seaboard Bldg., Hoboken, N. J. Fixed price list of German thalers.

Copley Coin Co., 581 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. Fixed price list, April-May, offering U. S. coins, colonials, hard times tokens, foreign coins.

Eureka Coin Shop, 678 Geary St., San Francisco, Calif. Coin bulletin No. 5. U. S. coins.

New Netherlands Coin Co., 1 West 47 St., New York, N. Y. *Numisma*, Vol. 2, No. 1, Jan.-Feb., 1955. Features many varieties of large cents, consignments of quarters and half dollars. The

questions concern "lint in the dies," the French-Canadian jetons, and quarter eagle rarities.

John Palmer Again

The John Palmer half pence article in the November 1954 issue of *The Numismatist*, part of which pertained to philately, has been published by the Postal History Society of Great Britain.

The cost of a book under the title of *John Palmer Mail Coach Pioneer* is 17/6. It may be obtained from Maj. Adrian E. Hopkins, M. C., Ormonde House, Sion Hill, Bath, England. Postage charge of a 1/- extra.

Perhaps this book may be of value to token collectors interested in history. It contains many pictures of people, buildings, advertisements, letters, coaches and the John Palmer half pence. Somewhat surprised, as the philatelic group never to my knowledge shows other than stamps or covers . . . coins never.

— JOHN R. FARNELL, SR.
43 Claremont Pl.
Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

DOMESTIC COINAGE EXECUTED, BY MINTS
DURING MARCH, 1955

Denomination	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver	Total Value	Total Pieces
SILVER					
Half dollars	\$ 16,106.00			\$ 16,106.00	32,212
Quarter dollars	147,053.00		\$ 337,600.00	484,653.00	1,938,612
Dimes	196,221.20	\$516,000.00		712,221.20	7,122,212
Total Silver	\$359,380.20	\$516,000.00	\$ 337,600.00	\$1,212,980.20	9,093,036
MINOR					
Five-cent pieces	\$ 96,210.00		\$ 751,800.00	\$ 848,010.00	16,960,200
One-cent pieces	22,922.00	191,100.00	381,550.00	595,572.00	59,557,200
Total Minor	\$119,132.00	\$191,100.00	\$1,133,350.00	\$1,443,582.00	76,517,400
Total Domestic Coinage	\$478,512.20	\$707,100.00	\$1,470,950.00	\$2,656,562.20	85,610,436

COINAGE EXECUTED FOR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

Mint	Country	Alloy	Denomination	No. of Pieces
Philadelphia	Venezuela	Silver	1 Bolivar	2,720,000
Philadelphia	Venezuela	Silver	1/2 Bolivar	1,820,000
Philadelphia	Venezuela	Silver	1/4 Bolivar	2,120,000
			Total	6,660,000

CUMULATIVE MINT REPORT FOR 1955, JANUARY TO MARCH, INCLUSIVE

(Giving the number of pieces struck)

	Philadelphia	San Francisco	Denver
Half dollars	2,547,721		
Quarter dollars	6,045,721		3,182,400
Dimes	11,299,721	18,510,000	
Five cents	7,937,700		36,300,000
One cents	37,639,700	44,610,000	104,120,000

Book Reviews

"Kahai no rekishi" [History of (Japanese) Money]. Asahi Shinbunsha. Tokyo, 1954. Asahi shashin book No. 3, 64 pp, 260 x 180 mm., illus. 150 Y.

This publication, although its text is wholly in Japanese, is an exemplification of the ancient Chinese proverb that "one picture is worth a thousand words."

Prior to the war in the Pacific, the Japanese newspaper *Asahi* published a 152-page book whose title may be translated as "The History of Coin Making in Japan." Due to the devastation incident to the bombing of Tokyo by the American Air Force this has become a very scarce item due to the stock having been destroyed by fire. *Asahi* has issued the above-described in pamphlet form, reproducing the greater part of the original illustrations, but with a revised text, and including some new and improved illustrations not included in the earlier volume. It is not often that a 64-

page publication is so profusely illustrated, there being something in excess of 550 illustrations, nor that the illustrations are of such high quality.

The entire history of Japanese coinage from the period of barter to the very latest disc-type struck coins is shown pictorially. An entirely new set of pictures of the coining processes employed in the Osaka mint are given. New illustrations showing more graphically some of the details of the coins are provided, such as the greatly enlarged reproductions of the edges and the characteristic markings on the gold obans, and all of the illustrations are clearer because of the superior surface of the paper upon which they are printed.

— H. F. BOWKER

"The Secret History of the Gobrecht Coinages, 1836-1840," by Walter Breen. *Coin Collector's Journal*, Sept.-Oct., Nov.-Dec., 1954, published by Wayte Raymond, Inc., New York, N. Y., illus., paper bound, 28 pages, \$2.

With this booklet, Wayte Raymond brings to a close the *Coin Collector's Journal* as a regular issue. Hereafter, only occasional monographs, each devoted to a given subject, will be printed. The final number of the *Journal* is a reference work of importance on Christian Gobrecht, engraver, who made a mighty impress on American coinage during his short eight years with the U. S. mint.

The national archives and hitherto unpublished Gobrecht references in the Longacre papers housed in Philadelphia's Ridgway library yielded the material on which this study by Walter Breen is based. The pamphlet is divided into four parts: silver dollars, gold dollars and two cent pieces, 1836 reeded edge half dollars, and 1838-1839 half dollar patterns.

Mr. Breen describes the various Gobrecht coins, some of which he has examined personally and others of which he has studied in available published sources. Much of the text is composed of lengthy correspondence of Mint Directors Samuel Moore and R. M. Patterson with Secretary of the Treasury Levi Woodbury. The author's comments round out the story, although the separation of quoted matter from narrative is sometimes vague.

In future, one cannot safely assume that he knows all about Gobrecht, unless he considers Breen's work along with Appleton, Davis, Adams-Woodin, and others who have gone before. The pamphlet is recommended but, in the words of the author, "It is safe to say that the last word on these has yet to be written." — ELSTON G. BRADFELD

THE TOKEN COLLECTOR'S PAGE

By Melvin and George Fuld

5610 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore 9, Maryland

This page is devoted to American store cards, war tokens, and similar metallic pieces. Its purpose is to illustrate and describe the many interesting pieces that are so little known to most present-day collectors. In some instances the pieces are illustrated for the first time and a special effort is made to include the early issues that have never been listed elsewhere. Collectors who are able to supply additional information on any of the cards published are cordially invited to do so.

San Francisco, Calif.



Obverse: JOSEPH BROTHERS OF LIVERPOOL ENGP. WATCH MAKERS JEWELLERS OPTICIANS & GENERAL IMPORTERS 149 MONTGOMERY ST SAN FRANCISCO CAL

Reverse: THE CHEAPEST HOUSE IN CALIFORNIA FOR GOOD WATCHES DIAMONDS JEWELLRY SILVER WARE CUTLERY & C & C

Size 19, copper, edge reeded no. 2, border no. 4, struck about 1850 Adams Cal. 6 - Wright 522



Obverse: Same as above, only address 607 MONTGOMERY ST

Reverse: Same as above

Size 19, copper, edge reeded, no. 2, border no. 4, struck. Not in Adams or Wright.

Two very interesting pieces well executed with identical reverses and the only difference in the obverses is the address. The workmanship is no doubt that of Moise as the lettering is typical of their workmanship. We have heard of no duplicates of the latter piece, although the former is one of the most common early California tokens.

CAL-173.91.1-SC-16-cu-19-p. No. 2, bd No. 4-r 2

CAL-173.91.2-SC-16-cu-19-p. No. 2., bd No. 4-r. 9

California



Obverse: Liberty Head, no doubt copied from half eagle. 1849 below, with 13 stars around.

Reverse: A gold miner, kneeling to left, pick, spade and ore stack. CALI-

FORNIA above 1849 below. The date clearly cut, the 18 is larger than the 49. In the distance are two palm trees. Background is very clear with the horizon showing to the left of the spade.

Size 17, brass, edge reeded. Struck about 1852. Listed as Kurth 3B.

This piece is the scarcest variety of this type. It was struck by the Scovill Mfg. Co. in Waterbury, Conn. Only four or five pieces of this type have come under our notice, and it may be considered rare. The specimen illustrated is the one in the A.N.S. collection.

CAL-K3B-GC-16-br-14-p. No. 4, bd No. 1-r8

Game Counter

Obverse: Liberty head an imitation of 1873 \$20 G.F.W. name on neck.

Reverse: Radiant sun with oak branches on either side above G.K. below *L*.

Size 22, brass, reeded edge no. 2, border no. 6, struck 1873. Kurth 92A.

This unusual game counter first described by Kurth in his supplement to "American Game Counters," *The Numismatic Scrapbook*, Dec. 1943, and attributed by him to Uruguay. There

are three sizes K92 - \$10, K92A - \$20 and K92B - \$5 described by Kurth. The photograph is of the one in the A.N.S. collection and the only one we



had seen until the first of the year when a well known collector sent us a copy stating he thought that only four or five are in existence.

UN-K92a.-6C-18-br-22-r No. 2 bd No. 6-R. 8

Obituaries

WILNA B. GRANT, A. N. A. NO. 7123

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. H. M. (Wilna B.) Grant, A. N. A. No. 7123, on April 3. Mrs. Grant was a founding member of the Coin Club of Rhode Island and had belonged to the American Numismatic Association since 1938. The latest directory gives her address as 115 Ivy St., East Providence 14, R. I.

A. GORDON MERRY, SR., A. N. A. NO. 9230

We have just learned of the death last January of A. Gordon Merry, Sr., Huntington, W. Va., insurance agent. He was a regular member (No. 9230) of the American Numismatic Association and is survived by his widow, Mrs. Inez W. Merry, a daughter, Mrs. Margaret A. Damron, and a son, Gordon, Jr.

HERBERT EDWARD ROWOLD, A. N. A. NO. 4432

Herbert Edward Rowold, 57, A. N. A. No. 4432, of Kansas City, Mo., died April 28 after being hospitalized nine days. Born in Germania, Wis., he had been a resident of Kansas City for 35 years where he was employed as a shoe salesman. He specialized in pattern coins and was interested in both foreign and commemorative coins. He and eleven other enthusiasts founded the Heart of America Numismatic Association in 1934. He was the first president and served three consecutive terms. For six years he was secretary. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Freda B. Rowold, 4017 Virginia Ave., Kansas City and by four brothers and three sisters.

Notes on East Asian Numismatics: Recent Chinese Publications

By H. F. Bowker

THAT Chinese numismatic societies still continue their usual activities, even if on a reduced scale since the change in the governmental regime, is evidenced by the recent receipt from Hongkong of two publications which were issued under the auspices of the Shanghai Numismatic Society in 1950. This society has a strictly Chinese membership, and should not be confused with a society with a similar name which was largely composed of Europeans and Americans.

Numismatic societies in both China and Japan have in the past taken the occasion of the 70th birthday of their members to honor that event by issuing commemorative volumes containing ink-rubbings of rare and valuable coins belonging to their members. These are usually issued in limited editions, the present examples being reported to have consisted of only 20 copies, which were distributed only to the Society's members. It is also an old custom for a collector of coins to celebrate his birthday by selecting a number of his best specimens and having rubbings made and bound into a book. Such books were either presented or sold to his collector friends as souvenirs. The number of coins selected usually corresponds to the age of the person whose birthday is being celebrated.

The first volume contains 70 ink-rubbings of ancient bronze coins from the collection of Sung Tze-tsu, whose portrait appears in the frontispiece. A printed transcription of the inscriptions appearing on the specimens follows. The rubbings are of high quality, having been made by the best rubbing-maker in Shanghai, who was employed for this purpose by the Society. The rubbings

are on separate slips tipped onto the pages. Each has a red seal impression of the personal seal of the owner to identify its provenance, three different styles of Sung's seals having been used. The rubbings are mounted on both sides of the folio pages within a red single-line printed border, the whole being encased in the conventional stabbed Chinese-style paper binding.

The second volume is in a somewhat more elaborate format, being provided with a satin cover and a hand-written title strip in two colors flecked with gold, written by Chang Ch'iungpo, who also wrote the first preface, reproduced in facsimile. A second preface follows by Ting Fupao, the noted Shanghai collector and publisher of numismatic works. In addition to the border, the Chinese title is printed on the page margins in red. Twenty collectors contributed rubbings varying in number from two to twelve for this volume, and their names together with the transcriptions of the legends appearing on their specimens is printed in the index. A total of 70 specimens is also included in this volume.

By coincidence, a second member of the Shanghai Numismatic Society had also attained his 70th year in 1950, so this volume is dedicated to Chang Ku-yuan as well as to Sung Tze-tsu.

Most of the members of this Society collect only the old-style cast coins and not the modern struck coins. Only two coins of the latter category appear in these volumes. Several of the specimens reproduced are unique and have never previously been published, and all are remarkably fine specimens of the coiners' art.

We have had all of the Visual Education slide sets and desire to say we have enjoyed this one (No. 18) more than any of the others. — Mrs. D. Virgel Thomas, Stamp & Coin Club of Roanoke, Va.

NOTES FROM YOUR LIBRARIAN

Mrs. D. Dee DeNise, 139 East 116th Street, Seattle 55, Wash.

Most regional conventions are over and we are settling down a bit to chew on the morsels of wisdom we have gleaned lately. The national (fast becoming international) convention of the American Numismatic Association is just around the corner, and if you need books for identification and/or attribution, please get your orders in right away. Too many of you waited until the last moment and did not receive books in time for your regional conclaves because too many of you wanted the same book.

Our editor emeritus, Stuart Mosher, wants many good papers for the August convention. If you have made extensive study of any phase of coin-collecting, then there is no doubt that you have something worth-while to share with other collectors. Send him a paper on your pet subject—in care of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington 25, D. C. But do it right now!

Those Eastern boys, George and Melvin Fuld, along with Edward Davis, have done it again! What? Added to the pleasure and aid of token collectors by making a subject index of the Adam's photographs in Hett-rich-Gutttag's CIVIL WAR TOKENS AND TRADESMEN'S CARDS (H-5). Henceforth when the book goes out from this Library it will have inserted this new index.

From halfway across the world, Captain Dodson has sent us two books on TURKISH COINS IN PICTURES. The first concerns coins of the 11th, 12th and 13th centuries, and the second is an appendix. The works are by Behzad Butak, and are numbered B-110 and B-110 S. Because coins of this type are so hard to identify and translate, Capt. Dodson included also a translation into English, plus an English commentary on the contents.

David Boehm of the Sterling Publishing Company has sent us a copy of THE COIN COLLECTORS' HANDBOOK by Fred Reinfeld (R-84). This is a very general work, and valuable to beginners. I list a few of the chapter headings: 1. Why Coin Collecting is Fascinating. 2. How to Determine a Coin's Condition. 3. How to Take Care of Coins. 4. What Coin Values Depend On. 5. Coins for Investment. 6. Catalogue of U. S. Coins. 7. Catalog of Canadian Coins. 8. Short Guide to Identifying Foreign Coins.

From Edward R. Barnsley of New-

town, Penn., we have received a copy of the addendum to Miller-Ryder STATE COINAGES OF NEW ENGLAND (M-10). This refers to the additions and corrections to THE STATE COINAGE OF CONNECTICUT and the COLONIAL COINS OF VERMONT. This work is very rare and we are extremely grateful for this gift.

A few months ago J. A. Elliott, Jr. of Toronto sent us a copy of his CANADIAN AND NEWFOUNDLAND CURRENCY (E-31). Before it had been in here two days I had a request for it, and the borrower held it three months, so "out of sight, out of mind" and I neglected to acknowledge it. Mr. Elliott has covered a lot of history not recorded in any other one book, and if you are interested in Canadian currency you should read this book of 72 pages plus seven full page plates. I have just received a letter saying that shortly there will be a supplement in which the government has allowed him to use, exclusively, illustrations of all of the notes of both countries, including proofs and rarities. We hope to have this supplement for you, also.

We have another book on Canadian currency, CANADIAN BANKS AND BANK-NOTES by C. S. Howard (H-82). This is 46 pages, republished from the *Canadian Banker*, and is illustrated. We have received, also, a bound copy of Jack Ogilvie's FIFTH INTERNATIONAL SALE with prices (O-5).

For you medal collectors, Dr. Mayer Hyman of Tucson, Ariz., has sent a copy of *Troop Topics* put out by the Department of the Army. This is the March, 1953, issue on DECORATIONS AND AWARDS (A-94).

Joseph Grant of Pasadena and Gene Reale of Brooklyn have sent some more "famous name" auction catalogs which I will list later, and Joseph A. Caesar (overseas somewhere with an APO San Francisco address) has sent some complete volumes of *The Numismatist* and *Numismatic Scrapbook*.

This is all this month. Today I received eight packages of returned books, and I am anxious to unwrap them and see if any of those books which have so many back orders against them are here to be sent out to those of you who are patiently (?) waiting.



NATIONAL COIN WEEK

THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS YEAR'S THEME

The National Coin Week theme, "Coins of the Americas," could very easily lead people to believe that an exhibition of coins, in accordance with the theme, must be limited to items created in the Americas. This is not so.

The first known coinage created in the Americas were the Spanish milled dollars which began in 1732, followed by other mints of Spanish dollars until the creation of the U. S. Mint and its first issue in 1793. Of course, we know that Canada began its own decimal coinage in 1857.

Even if we added all of the colonial issues created by the individual colonies before the U. S. Mint began its operations an exhibit limited to these items would not truly depict coinage "of the Americas."

One must consider that the Spaniards began permanent settlements in the Americas 400 years ago and for over 200 years all monetary transactions were conducted through the utilization of coinage brought to the Americas by the settlers from their mother country, and thus, the coinage of the mother countries of the original settlers of the Americas is as important a part of the theme as the coinage actually created in the new world.

Thus, though the Spanish milled dollars rightfully belong in the category, the old cob pieces of Philip IV and Philip V and the coinage of the subsequent Spanish Monarchs which were in general usage in new Spain for a couple of centuries were really and truly "American."

When the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock they brought with them the pounds, shillings and pence of their mother country, and those coins, as well as the Spanish milled dollars were legal tender in the United States and other parts of the Americas until a hundred years ago.

The Dutch brought their money to New Netherlands and carried it to Pennsylvania. As did the Swedes and other Europeans who immigrated in the early days of our hemispheric development.

Thus, it can be seen that the true development of this year's theme must include all of the coinage circulated in the Americas throughout the 400 years of growth.

I must admit that in order to make my display attractive I did stretch the point a "wee bit" by including the elephant tusks which were used to purchase the slaves, which were brought to America, to work in the cane fields and cotton fields. One might even criticize me for including the Swedish plate money on the strength of the supposition that Swedes paid their passage to America with such money. But the small keg of rum representing a known monetary unit in the early days of Puerto Rico and other West Indian Islands and the cowrie shells which were used by the American Indian as wampum were both legitimate inclusions in the "Coins of the Americas" theme.

— PETER B. PAYNE

COIN WEEK IN PHILADELPHIA



Philadelphians looking over the 1955 National Coin Week proclamation issued by Mayor Joseph C. Clark, Jr., are: Front row, left to right, Mr. Phillips, the mayor's representative; Mrs. Rae V. Biester, superintendent of the Philadelphia mint and Paul Yeagley, president of the Philadelphia Coin Club. Second row, left to right, Albert Lucas, president of the Philadelphia Electric Company Coin Club and Frank B. Parks, Jr., president of the Philadelphia Transportation Company Coin Club.

NEW COIN CLUB



Organizers of the Peoria District Coin Club on March 16th were: Front row, left to right, Richard Bayless, treasurer; Dr. Albert Applebaum, board chairman; Col. James W. Curtis, A.N.A. representative; Maurice N. Fairman, president; Robert P. Whitmore, vice president. Second row, left to right, Paul G. Scherer; Paul E. Young; Norburn Dean; Mary Carty, secretary; D. L. McCormack; William T. Whistle; Dewilton Fiedler. Meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month in the conference room of the Central National Bank and coin collectors within 75 miles of Peoria are invited to apply for membership.

Report of the General Secretary

Admission to Membership

Applicants numbered 23801-23992 as published in the April issue have been admitted to membership.

Applicants for Membership

The following applications were received in April 1955. If there are no objections filed prior to July 1, 1955, these applicants will become members on that date and notice to this effect will appear in the August, 1955 issue.

- 24167 **J. Lawrence Holstine**, 206½ S. Broadway, Pittsburg, Kans. U. S. Coins. Ben Mires.
- 24168 **Ira L. Greenhut**, 509 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Medals and Decorations. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24169 **Lee B. Richards**, Radcliffe, Iowa. I. H. Cents. William Edward Otto.
- 24170 **Gregory P. Gantzert**, 809 E. 15th St., Sterling, Ill. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan. Walter P. Gantzert.
- 24171 **John Arthur Reagan, Jr.**, Woodland Dr., Hartsville, S. C. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24172 **Dr. Troy W. Stratford**, Mifflintown, Pa. General. Lewis M. Reagan, Robert K. Eckard.
- 24173 **Bernard Goldberg**, 850 W. 148th St., Gardena, Calif. U. S. Coins and Paper Money. Russell H. MacKechnie.
- 24174 **Stanley O. Anderson**, 417 5th St., Petroluma, Calif. General. E. A. Parker.
- 24175 **William Henry Spoerer**, 139 Prospect St., Pawtucket, R. I. U. S. Small Cents. Stephen C. Lyon. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24176 **Karl Ludwig Grabow**, Xantener Str. 24, Berlin W75, Germany. German, European, Greek and Roman. Burton H. Saxton.
- 24177 **Myron A. Ireland**, P. O. Box 31, North Bay, N. Y. U. S. General. Wm. P. Donlon.
- 24178 **Horace R. Jones**, 115 E. Clinton Ave., Bergenfield, N. J. U. S. General. Loren Stafford. William T. Anton.
- 24179 **Walter J. Tierney**, 328 Sleepy Hollow Rd., Pittsburgh 34, Pa. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.

- 24180 **Dr. J. L. Cornelius**, Edina, Mo. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24181 **Jerome Goldman**, Box 5397, Daytona Beach, Fla. Coins before 1900. C. A. Brownell.
- 24182 **Charles G. French**, 7519 11th Ave., SW, Seattle 6, Wash. General. Laura Lawrence, Don Zearing, Bert Wagner.
- 24183 **Richard C. Cooper**, 209 S. Halagueno, Carlsbad, N. M. U. S. General. Jerome L. Cohen.
- 24184 **Earl E. Deyette, Sr.**, Box 309, Laurel, Md. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24185 **John D. Collinsworth**, 7852 S. Essex Ave., Chicago 49, Ill. U. S. Coins and Paper Money. Joseph Jackson.
- 24186 **Geo. G. Dashiell**, 2666 Paulson Ave., El Monte, Calif. U. S. Coins. Jack D. Reberry.
- 24187 **Norman F. Pruitt**, 3052 W. Mendocino Ave., Stockton 4, Calif. U. S. Coins. John C. Schoy, Leo A. Young.
- 24188 **George R. Heffler**, 4217 Middlesex Dr., San Diego 16, Calif. Commemoratives. LeRoy J. Harney.
- 24189 **Ralph A. Brown**, 322 N. Dearborn, Indianapolis 1, Ind. U. S. Coins. Leo G. Terry, Ray R. Fiscus, Ralph W. Johns.
- 24190 **Mrs. Leo G. Terry**, 335 S. Dearborn St., Indianapolis 1, Ind. General. Leo G. Terry, Keith Canan, Jack Hutchison. Associate Membership.
- 24191 **Mrs. W. P. Sabel**, 6245 N. Oakley Ave., Chicago 45, Ill. U. S. General. B. C. Dreiske.
- 24192 **Harry Hunter**, 3194 Danforth Ave., Toronto 13, Ontario, Canada. Canadian, Newfoundland, and U. S. Coins. P. S. Favro.
- 24193 **Paul A. Stone**, 500 Polk Blvd., Des Moines 12, Iowa. Proofs, Mint Sets and Antients. Harold E. Baker, R. G. Bullard.
- 24194 **Stuart J. Comer, Jr.**, 2912 4th Ave., Pueblo, Colo. U. S. General. Al Overton.
- 24195 **Capt. John Riddle**, 214 West B St., Ontario, Calif. U. S. Coins. Fred E. Draper.
- 24196 **Jack D. Childers**, 5105 King William Road, Richmond, Va. U. S. Coins. Ralph S. Taylor.
- 24197 **Manfred A. Isserman**, Co. "B", 533rd MI Bn, APO 174, New York, N. Y. Great Britain and Central Europe. Lewis Reagan.
- 24198 **Miss Jane Hunt Houston**, 3523 Dey Ave., Cheyenne, Wyoming. American Coins. Eleanor M. Abendroth.
- 24199 **Phillip de Laughter**, Fitzsimons Army Hospital, Ward 3 West, Denver, Colo. U. S. Coins. Dan Brown, W. E. Kent, Mrs. G. C. Pepper.
- 24200 **John T. Glackin**, 304 Hillcrest Dr., Mt. Vernon, Ohio. General. R. J. Salisbury, J. A. Herron.
- 24201 **Trevor Russell**, Box 548, Oakridge, Oregon. General. A. R. Sorensen, Maurice L. Cook, and Benj. S. DeVries.
- 24202 **Hazel Hanlon**, 7315 12th Ave., SW, Seattle 6, Wash. U. S. General. Don Zearing, Bert Wagner, Laura Lawrence.
- 24203 **James A. McNamara**, 611 Swede St., Norristown, Pa. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Alexander Kaptik, L. A. Pettitt.
- 24204 **L. W. Hardman**, Box 1812, Orlando, Fla. U. S. General. Wm. Mertes.
- 24205 **John J. Klein, Jr.**, 721 1st Ave., E, Mobridge, S. Dakota. General. Arnold Thorson, Robert Himrich.
- 24206 **George E. Geis**, 861 13th St., Oakmont, Pa. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24207 **Hartwell P. Walter**, 111 S. Harrison St., East Orange, N. J. U. S. Nickels. D. W. Karp, L. R. Karp.
- 24208 **Darwin J. Summerton**, 952 12th St., Merced, Calif. U. S. Currency. Fred E. Tinkham, Eugene Kempf, M. Forest Speck.
- 24209 **Vernon Indermill**, 341 Morrison Ave., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. U. S. Coins. Marc Emery.
- 24210 **Dave B. Odaffer**, 1149 Franklin Ave., Columbus 5, Ohio. U. S. General. Fred E. Kern, Sr.
- 24211 **Harley B. Gatewood**, 700 Delaney Park Dr., Orlando, Fla. U. S. Canadian Coins. W. F. Sneed, Jr., Grady L. Radford.
- 24212 **Paul H. Pareaseau**, 36 St. Nicholas Ave., Worcester 2, Mass. U. S. Coins. Oscar G. Schilke.
- 24213 **Phyllis S. Olsen**, 151 Tory Fort Lane, Worcester 2, Mass. General. Oscar G. Schilke.
- 24214 **John Harrison, Jr.**, 2509 S. Gross St., Philadelphia 42, Pa. U. S. Coins. Ernst Kraus, Lewis E. Greene.
- 24215 **Chas. Taylor**, 217 N. Center St., Merchantville 8, N. J. U. S. Coins. Mrs. Catherine E. Bullowa.
- 24216 **Howard J. Price**, 731 Cleveland Ave., Cumberland, Md. General. Homer Pomeoy, Mrs. Juanita R. Herring.
- 24217 **Harold J. Ball**, 225 E. Foster Parkway, Fort Wayne, Ind. U. S. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24218 **A. I. Verovsky**, 437 N. Prospect St., Hagerstown, Md. U. S. Commemoratives. John L. Miller.
- 24219 **Mrs. R. R. Hale**, 616 W. University Parkway, Baltimore 10, Md. Commemoratives. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24220 **Mrs. Dorothy Lowry**, 20 N. West St., Sullivan, Ind. U. S. Coins. A. E. Bebee.
- 24221 **Timothy Morgan Corneli**, Ambleside, Creve Coeur, Mo. U. S. Coins. Grover Godwin, Earl M. Page.
- 24222 **Richard C. Knoebel**, NMS, NNMCM, Bethesda, Md. U. S. Copper and Silver. E. Ward Russell, Eldridge G. Jones.
- 24223 **Arvol C. Hale**, La Place, Ill. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24224 **Arthur F. Conroy**, 34 Bonheim St., Albany 4, N. Y. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24225 **Leo E. Eickhoff, Jr.**, 705 West 5th St., Sedalia, Mo. U. S. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24226 **Miss Maybelle Clark**, 91 Massachusetts Ave., Boston 15, Mass. General. Malcolm Chell-Frost.
- 24227 **Harold M. Runyan**, Box 531, Catlettsburg, Ky. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24228 **William E. Kent**, 345 N. Indiana Ave., Kankakee, Ill. General. Archie Lee White.

- 24229 **Geo. F. Flinchbaugh**, 72 N. Wolf St., Manheim, Pa. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24230 **Clifton M. Whittaker**, 2105 Jefferson St., Wilmington, Delaware. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24231 **James Wigal**, 307 S. Ewing Ave., Louisville, Ky. General. L. R. Karp, D. W. Karp.
- 24232 **Roger K. Steffens**, P. O. Box 788, Salisbury, Md. American Coins. Edgar M. Boyd, Philip G. Straus.
- 24233 **Leo Giaccina**, 18668 Goulburn Ave., Detroit 5, Mich. U. S. Coins. Earl C. Schill.
- 24234 **Wilber J. VanNoy**, 38 River Dr., Titusville, N. J. U. S. Coins. James O. Tiernan.
- 24235 **Agnes V. Hanson**, 1000 8th St., NW, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. U. S. Coins. Burton H. Saxton.
- 24236 **Dale D. Baeder**, Box 367, New Rockford, N. Dakota. Unc. Rolls and Proof Sets. Calvin R. Baeder.
- 24237 **Alfred V. Bartlett, Jr.**, 36 Appletree Lane, Warwick 5, R. I. American Coins. Ernest A. Grant, Albert Grassi.
- 24238 **Bert C. Pederson**, 601 13th St., So, Benson, Minn. U. S. Coins. Arnold Thorson.
- 24239 **Dr. W. W. Walker**, Box 301, Burlington, N. Carolina. General. O. D. Gibbs.
- 24240 **Mrs. Ollie Spratt**, Box 191, Sheffield, Ill. General. Connie T. Anderson, Ralph E. Dickson.
- 24241 **Hayden H. Belden**, 5849 Clemens, St. Louis 12, Mo. Proof Coins and Large Currency. John Waters.
- 24242 **Dr. Theodore Hyson Rayburn**, Pontotoc, Miss. U. S. Coins. L. R. Karp, B. Max Mehl.
- 24243 **Keith A. Pearson**, 9219 12th Ave., SW, Seattle 6, Wash. U. S. General. Robert L. Craft.
- 24244 **Dr. Alfred Fromm**, 815 Arch Ave., South Bend 1, Ind. U. S. Coins. Jack C. Cripe.
- 24245 **Herman H. Engelhardt**, 3357 Honolulu Ave., La Crescenta, Calif. U. S. Coins. Kenneth W. Lee.
- 24246 **Dan Toher**, 116 South Grand Ave., Los Angeles 12, Calif. Commemoratives. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24247 **Dr. Henry Leo Malench**, Eldridge, Iowa. U. S. Cents. Lewis M. Reagan, Maurice Burgett, Robert Baustian.
- 24248 **Herman C. Eisenberg**, 715 East 10 St., Brooklyn 30, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24249 **Norman E. Wolfer**, 319 S. 4th St., Pekin, Ill. General. Harry G. Beres.
- 24250 **Robert H. Williams**, 62 Summit Ave., Bronxville 8, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Wilfred H. Clarke.
- 24251 **Thomas Sharp**, Ruth Ave., Box 212, Leavittsburg, Ohio. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24252 **Jacob Linger**, 18 Colonial Arcade, Cleveland 15 Ohio. General. Albert J. Beal.
- 24253 **Eugene Coin Club**, Mrs. A. R. Sorensen, Secy., Box 63, Crescent Lake, Oregon. A. R. Sorensen, Wesley E. Jackson, Maurice L. Cook.
- 24254 **K. F. Schattel**, 3210 Madison Ave., Indianapolis 27, Ind. Modern Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24255 **S. I. Arnpolin**, 6540 N. Mozart St., Chicago 45, Ill. Lincoln Cents. R. A. Wilson.
- 24256 **Robert D. Swisher**, 15 Ledyard Rd., Winchester, Mass. U. S. and Canadian. Mrs. June T. Pond, Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24257 **Kenneth A. Benson**, 1601 Prescott Ave., Monterey, Calif. General. Wesley L. Freedlund.
- 24258 **Halbert S. Sands**, P. O. Box 32, Eureka, Mo. Foreign and General. Arthur B. Kelley, Mrs. Arthur B. Kelley.
- 24259 **L. R. Stebleton**, 754 Neil Ave., Columbus 8, Ohio. Indian head pennies. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24260 **Don A. Weitmer, Jr.**, 2922 16th St., Great Bend, Kans. U. S. Coins. Marvin Withers, R. H. Clinesmith.
- 24261 **James C. Eskew, Sr.**, 184 Rogers St., NE, Atlanta, Ga. U. S. General. G. X. Barker.
- 24262 **Donald E. Hoffman**, Box 21, Hoagland, Ind. American Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24263 **Paul H. Hamm**, 3860 Superba St., San Diego 13, Calif. American Coins. R. H. Wilson, Leonel C. Panosh, James Anderson.
- 24264 **Mrs. Lynn Kahn**, 1225 Park Ave., Pekin, Ill. U. S. Coins. Dr. Albert Applebaum.
- 24265 **John H. Lott, Jr.**, 251 W. 6th St., Eugene, Oregon. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24266 **John J. Cherokee**, 1501 Park Ave., Bay City, Mich. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24267 **Theresa R. Sabino**, 2480 Deming Ave., Columbus 2, Ohio. General. Bruce F. Schneider.
- 24268 **Nat Berger**, 1010 Davis Ave., Mobile 16, Ala. U. S. General. Wm. Mertes.
- 24269 **Robert F. Robson**, 720 PMS Sqd., Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico. Commemorative and Early American Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24270 **R. Henry Blackwell**, 245 S. Oak St., Pecos, Texas. General. Lewis M. Reagan, L. C. Curb.
- 24271 **Keith N. Cobb**, 712½ Sycamore St., Waterloo, Iowa. General. Leland E. Cobb, Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24272 **Roy H. Gibbs**, c/o 1st Nat'l Bank at Orlando, Orlando, Fla. General. Wm. Mertes, Cecil Moore.
- 24273 **Dr. Saul Lustig**, 122-01-109 Ave., South Ozone Park, New York 20, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Frank P. Favoino.
- 24274 **Edward I. Froelich**, 2 East Main St., Mountville, Pa. General. J. W. Martin, C. H. Gable, Paul F. Schopf.
- 24275 **Daniel M. Davis**, 14 Clinton Ave., New Haven 13, Conn. General. Paul Greve, Howard McCarry.

- 24276 **Peter H. Stachurski**, 5th Floor, 393 7th Ave., New York 1, N. Y. U. S. Coins. Asher Kleinman.
- 24277 **Dr. Roger M. Berg**, 214 Ave. A West, Bismarck, North Dakota, Roman and Greek. Dr. John H. Lhotka, Jr., Mrs. F. E. Tunell.
- 24278 **Mrs. Catherine (Rena) Bartsch**, 710½ Broadway, Bismarck, North Dakota. U. S. Coins. O. Leonard Orvedal, Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24279 **Morris Gomberg**, 361 The Arcade, Cleveland, Ohio. General. Al J. Beal.
- 24280 **Thomas E. Hodges**, 6045 Pine Tree Dr., Miami Beach, Fla. Gold Coins of Great Britain. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24281 **Floyd Dale Trent**, 703 East 10th, Hutchinson, Kans. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24282 **Charles R. Juhasz**, 1447 W. Carmen Ave., Chicago 40, Ill. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24283 **Mark Henry**, P. O. Box 233, Atchison, Kans. American. Werner B. Levin.
- 24284 **Kelsa R. Cook**, 919 N. Oxford St., Indianapolis 1, Ind. American General. Lewis M. Reagan, Gladys Johnson.
- 24285 **William H. Isbell**, 116 E. Main, Cordell, Okla. General. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24286 **Robert H. Jackson**, 4716 Ave. Q, Galveston, Texas. U. S. Coins. John H. Hansan.
- 24287 **Gordon F. Gallaschun**, 114 Sycamore Dr., Pittsburgh 35, Pa. U. S. Coins. D. G. Piper, Mrs. D. G. Piper.
- 24288 **Count Mikael G. A. V. Scheremetiew**, 1515 Boren Ave., Seattle 1, Wash. U. S. & Canadian. Don Zearing, Bert Wagner.
- 24289 **Lytle L. Williamson**, 511 Galt Ave., Rock Falls, Ill. General. Milton F. Ward, William G. DeFur, G. A. MacLennan.
- 24290 **Charles F. Phelps, Jr.**, 3546 Norway Place, Norfolk, Va. U. S. General. William E. Godley.
- 24291 **R. G. Woodyear**, Harwood P. O., A. A. County, Md., U. S. General. Edward Fogler.
- 24292 **Douglas W. Heay**, Box 1053, Fairbanks, Alaska. U. S. Gold and Dollars. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24293 **Richard L. Pittenger**, 15 Broadway, Shelby, Ohio. American and Biblical Coins. H. Dale Kuhn.
- 24294 **L. Ted Kitchen**, 5001 32nd Ave., No., St. Petersburg, Fla. U. S. and Foreign Coins. Simpson Tomkies.
- 24295 **Ralph C. Graham**, 3222 Oakmont, Houston 21, Texas. U. S. Coins. B. A. Feder.
- 24296 **George G. Bennitt**, 925 Chateau Ave., Helena, Montana. Commemoratives. C. R. Dawley, L. E. Jones.
- 24297 **Mr. Carroll C. McMasters**, 332 West 183rd, Seattle 77, Wash. U. S. Coins. Lewis M. Reagan.
- 24298 **David A. Koenig**, 375 Pulaski St., Brooklyn 6, N. Y. U. S. Coins. R. A. Wilson.
- 24299 **C. F. Kroeger**, 1143 Solono Ave., Albany 6, Calif. U. S. General. Edward Fogler, Frank X. Galvin.
- 24300 **Richard Tierney**, 7623 North Regent Rd., Milwaukee 17, Wisc. General. Elston G. Bradfield, Earl C. Brown, Glenn B. Smedley.
- 24301 **Keith M. Henry**, 3418 Linden Ave., Knoxville 14, Tenn. U. S. General. Ann E. McNabb, E. R. Anderson.
- 24302 **Benny Paris**, Box 208, Weirton, W. Va. General. Isadore Leonidou.
- 24303 **Nicholas Bell**, Abbot Hobbies, 211 NE 1st Ave., Miami, Fla. U. S. Coins. S. Leo McGranaghan.
- 24304 **John W. Savage**, 127 Montclair Ave., Greenville, S. C. U. S., China, and Japanese. David H. Sloan.
- 24305 **Archie M. Lotspeich**, 3165 Front St., Alhambra, Calif. U. S. Coins. Clinton Hester.
- 24306 **Mrs. Evelyn Acuff**, Crescent Lake, Ore. U. S. General. A. R. Sorensen, Mrs. Blanche Sorensen, Donald W. Fulk.

Deceased

- 4365 **Fred A. Luhnnow**, Chicago, Ill.
- 22382 **Harry R. Rust**, Palmer, Alaska.

Resignations

- 2052 **Ira Tames**, Brooklyn, New York.

Reinstatements

- 6511 **V. H. Becker**, Rt. 1, Box 2199, Colfax, Calif.
- 16636 **Paul J. Daniels**, 603 W. Marshall St., Decatur, Ind.
- 20193 **Ted Freitas**, 4439 Likini St., Honolulu, T. H.
- 11036 **Joseph Gordon**, 5614 California St., San Francisco 21, Calif.

Changes in Organizational Directory

- Calumet Numismatic Club** — David Allen, Secy., 5001 Olcott Ave., East Chicago, Ind.
- Eugene Coin Club** — Mrs. A. R. Sorensen, Secy., Box 63, Crescent Lake, Oregon.
- Evergreen Coin Club** — Henry Gatch, Secy., 831½ Market St., Chehalis, Wash.
- Milwaukee Numismatic Society** — Meets the fourth Wednesday of the month at 8:00 p.m. at Veterans of Foreign Wars, 2611 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee 3, Wisc. Mrs. G. A. Ambelang, Secy., 2436 No. 83rd St., Wauwatosa, Wisc.
- Oklahoma City Coin Club** — Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor of the Liberty Bank Bldg. (S.W. corner of Park Ave. and North Robinson in Oklahoma City). Helen Canale, Secy., 908 E. Park St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
- Western Reserve Numismatic Club of Cleveland** — Fred N. Hahlen, Secy., 2555 North Ridge, Painesville, Ohio.

Reports of Club Meetings

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE: Reports should be made promptly. Copy must be received by the 7th of the month to insure insertion in the following month's issue. Sometimes a carbon copy of the minutes is sent in, and almost invariably a number of items of local concern only must be cancelled. The justification for publishing these accounts lies in the numismatic information — and encouragement — to be derived by collectors generally, regardless of location. On this basis we feel it advisable to revise and condense, and, incidentally, the by-product of this course is conservation of valuable space. All copy should be typewritten, double-spaced, and written on one side of the paper only. Please condense your reports and write them so they conform to the style of those printed below. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Please send reports to the Editor.

ARKANSAS VALLEY COIN CLUB — The annual banquet meeting was held at the Elmwood Golf Club in Pueblo, Colo., on April 16. There were 24 members and five guests present.

A slide set on U. S. currency was presented with commentary by C. G. Klein and M. L. Heinzman.

After a turkey dinner prizes were awarded for the best exhibits. Al Overton received the blue ribbon for the best paper presented in 1954. Herman Boraker was awarded the blue ribbons for the best exhibit of foreign coins and also for the best educational exhibit. M. L. Heinzman was awarded the blue ribbon for the best exhibit of U. S. silver. Al Overton was awarded blue ribbons for the best exhibits of U. S. currency and ancients. Richard White presented a very nice exhibit of U. S. coins which received special commendation. An auction closed the meeting.

— O. K. BOOTHE
Secretary-Treasurer

ATLANTA COIN CLUB — Annual banquet (436th meeting) was held April 12 in the Henry Grady hotel, with Pres. George M. Todd presiding. There were 45 members and guests present.

Exhibits:

Jackson Bennett: Complete type set of U. S. coins.

Mrs. Annette B. Cook: 20th century coins of the world.

B. J. Dantone: Complete type set of U. S. commemorative 50c pieces; 20 Dahlonega gold coins; U. S. proof and mint sets.

Charles W. Dantos: Commemorative 50c pieces; U. S. gold, silver and copper type coins.

Robert C. Davis: Date sets of U. S. half cents and large cents; Civil War tokens.

Russell D. Findley: Complete date set of Mercury 10c.

Edwin Harrison: Complete set of U. S. presidential medals.

Leroy D. Martin: U. S. gold type set, silver and nickel type sets.

Margaret C. McAuley: Japanese minor coins; Russian 500 and 100 rubles paper money; Queen Elizabeth II coronation mint set.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Morris: Uncut sheets of U. S. currency; Confederate half dollar; complete proof set of Indian head cents; complete proof set of shield nickels.

Charles J. O'Donnell: Type set of scarce Greek coins.

Frank G. O'Rear: State of Georgia treasury notes.

Philip S. Reed: Foreign type coins.

George M. Todd: Napoleon split proof gold set; date set of U. S. peace dollars.

Ernest Tomlinson: U. S. fractional currency.

— MARGARET C. MCAULEY
Secretary and Treasurer

BERGEN COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 11th meeting was called to order at our new quarters, the River Edge Boro Fire House, April 20 by Pres. Anton with 26 members and five guests present. Frank Liveright gave a nice talk on collecting and some of his personal experiences. He was made our first honorary member.

The secretary of our junior coin club, Fred Niedermayer, Jr., gave us a progress report. With such youngsters in the club it is bound to go places.

We received three new members, Everett L. Labagh, Rev. Glenn W. Young and Henry Kramer, bringing our membership to 41. We feel that we have made very good progress in the year just passed. It was decided to have coffee, cake, etc., at this meeting to celebrate.

Exhibits:

Wm. T. Anton: Complete set of North American notes; 1911-D \$2½ gold; Isabella quarter; 1864-L and 1877 Indian cent; \$10.00 jackass note.

Arthur B. Bloch: German shooting medal 1890 Berlin; 1936 through 1942 proof sets.

Walter Fusser: 1953 Canada unc. set; Confederate \$5, \$10, \$20 bills, 1863; Fractional currency, 5c and 10c.

Charles Ragot: Buttons from coats and vests world's fair attendants (1876-1939); Irish and Cuban revolution notes, 1866-1869; 16 good luck charms with US cents; a sheet of paper watermarked CSA.

Walter Stefanacci: Austrian commemoratives, 1928-1939 (unc.).

— LOREN A. STAFFORD
Secretary

BROOKLYN COIN CLUB — The 262nd meeting was held April 6th at the Granada Hotel with Pres. Voigt presiding. There were 19 members and guests present.

Dr. Lippman reported on National Coin Week. Our exhibits will be displayed in the Brooklyn public library.

Exhibits:

Wm. T. Anton: 1838-O half dollar.
Sal De Grazia: Three imperial Roman denarii of Cleopatra and Mark Antony, Tiberius and Caligula.

Paul Franklin: Three early pioneer bars in gold and silver of San Francisco, H. & V. Co., \$29.98, C. Wiegand, \$10.87 and Thomas Price, \$4.91.

Charles Fuhr: Sheet of eight colonial notes, 1786 Rhode Island; 16 Providence plantation notes 1780; eight Continental notes 1776 and four Pennsylvania notes 1776.

Michael Granis: Chinese key money, Wang Mang 9-23 A.D.; Chinese saddle money of 5 teals; U. S. silver bar of San Francisco mint.

Richard Hasselbusch: Types of U. S. half cents and complete set of liberty quarters.

M. Koplik: Ten cent fractional currency, Colby and Spinner, red back.

Michael MacDougall: Twenty foreign crown size gold coins and a Canadian sovereign, all unc.

Victor Melnechuck: One colon and 2 colonies of Costa Rica, unc.

Vincent Nicoletti: 1955 set Canadian coins and a 5 kroner of Sweden, 1954.

Miss Rae M. Passione: Barber quarters.
C. H. Ryan: Unique bracelet in three dimensional effect of U. S. coins which he made himself.

Tony Sebrow: Mercury dimes.
T. J. Settle: 1934-B \$10 silver certificate signed by Julian and Vinson.

Emil Voigt: 1919-D Standing liberty quarter.

Thomas J. Wass III: U. S. \$20 gold with Roman numerals.

— THOMAS J. WASS III
Acting Secretary

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

— The 527th meeting was called to order by Vice President Sigel F. Hepp March 21st with 15 members and guests present.

Mr. Prickett suggested that the old policy of having educational talks at alternate meetings be resumed.

A numismatic quiz was held under the direction of Dr. Wild.

An auction was held.

— ALBERT A. GULLIAN
Secretary

BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

— The 528th meeting was called to order by Pres. Henry Myers April 14th with 18 present.

A most interesting and illuminating talk on paper money was given by Robert H. Lloyd. Faye Hilbert was elected to membership.

The following were displayed by Gaston DiBello: Proof sets of 1882, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1909, 1910; also 1923 Danzig proof set of copper, silver and gold.

— ALBERT A. GULLIAN
Secretary

CAMDEN COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 13th meeting was held March 28 at the Walt Whitman hotel, Camden, N. J. Pres. Thomas Wilson presided with 18 members and several guests in attendance. The following were admitted: J. W. MacMillan, W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Colgrove. Our total membership now stands at 26.

For National Coin Week, we plan to put on extensive displays in the main lobbies of the Camden Trust Co. and the First Camden National Bank and Trust Company.

We meet at 8:00 p.m. every fourth Monday in the Whitman room of the

Walt Whitman hotel in Camden.

Visual Education Slides No. 3 on "U. S. Types, Half Cents to 20 Cents," were shown. These slides brought favorable comment from all.

Exhibits:

Saul Solomon: Gold doubloon, cob 1727, knife or razor money, and various choice foreign proof coins. (Voted best exhibit of the evening.)

Wm. Boss: Pre-modern Japanese coins, and large Japanese tokens of private issue.

Joe MacMillan: U. S. proof sets, 1953-1955.

A brisk auction ended the evening.

— HARMON K. RODGERS
Corresponding Secretary

CAMDEN COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 14th meeting was held April 25th at the Walt Whitman Hotel, Camden, N. J. Pres. Thomas Wilson presided. There were 28 members and guests present.

Four new members were admitted: Mrs. Earl Jackson, Joseph Eiselein, Charles Taylor and Harrison Russell.

An interesting talk was given by Mr. Hess on "Valuation of Coins, Past and Present." Mr. Hess referred to a catalog published in Philadelphia in 1909. The 1856 flying eagle cent sold for \$2; the 1804 silver dollar, \$1000.

Visual Education Slide Set No. 2 on "Types of U. S. Commemorative Half Dollars" was presented by our program chairman, Mr. Flick. Everyone was favorably impressed. These sets, made available through the A.N.A., do a wonderful job in stimulating interest in numismatics.

National Coin Week is now a thing of the past. For many of us it was our first experience in public exhibits. News clippings, photographs, and statistics are now on file with Mrs. Winner, club librarian. We feel that we were quite successful in our first venture. Recognition was realized in three nationally-known daily newspapers, and extensive acknowledgement in several weeklies. This experience will stand in our club records as an excellent example of membership participation.

Exhibits:

J. MacMillan: Indian and Lincoln cents, complete. (Voted best of evening.)

L. Hess: Philadelphia coin catalog, 1909.

S. Solomon: Unc. Lincoln cents, complete.

Mr. Clay, visitor: Misc. coins and fractional currency.

The evening was brought to a successful conclusion with an auction.

— HARMON K. RODGERS
Corresponding Secretary

CHICAGO COIN CLUB — The 435th meeting was held April 13 in the LaSalle Hotel, Pres. Elston G. Bradfield presiding; 80 present. Dr. Carl Westmark spoke on the need of the Chicago Historical Society for good numismatic material and asked members who were considering making a contribution to a museum to give first priority to the Chicago Historical Society.

Dr. Westmark conducted a 53-lot listed auction.

Exhibits:

Harry X Boosel: Collection of proof nickels 1867-1912-S; two Luxemburg liberation medals; two 5-franc notes of Luxemburg.

George Habermehl: Three double eagles.
J. Dudley Stone: U. S. gold type set; 1942 proof set; East Africa minor coin set of Edward VIII.

William Berry: Fourteen foreign gold coins including copy of U. S. \$10 gold piece in 24 karat gold struck in China.

Walter Nemecek: Rotary International token of Utica, N. Y.

— MICHAEL M. DOLNICK
Secretary

CHITTENDEN COUNTY COIN CLUB —

The 47th meeting was cancelled and the annual meeting was postponed until the 48th meeting. New officers were elected: Cyrus B. Holcombe, president; Dr. A. S. C. Hill, vice president; Miss Rachel Phillips, secretary-treasurer; Andrew E. Nuquist, corresponding secretary.

The annual banquet will be held on May 11th. It is expected that there will be one or more talks on American coinage.

Plans were discussed whereby certain members might be delegated to make trips into Canada to procure different sets of uncirculated Canadian coins for members.

— ANDREW E. NUQUIST
Corresponding Secretary

CINCINNATI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — Twenty-two members and guests participated in the meeting in the Metropolitan Hotel April 8th. Pres. Dan Feist conducted a brief business session.

An auction, following adjournment, brought a most enjoyable evening to its close.

Exhibits:

F. Howe: Unc. New Zealand set and a rare Canadian cent.

G. Parvin: Unc. Canadian mint set 1955 and U. S. half cents.

H. Meiss: Sharp 1652 pine tree shilling.

H. Kleine: U. S. gold.

R. Jungclas: 1952-3-4 U. S. proof sets.

S. Kaplan: U. S. paper money.

P. Lyon: Mint set of 1st Rep. of India.

J. Marks: Oregon gold.

W. Broker: 1935 Canadian crown.

M. Fessenden: Unc. U. S. silver dollars 1878 through 1886 and 1894-S, 1901-O, 1904.

— MARVIN S. FESSENDEN
Secretary

COIN CLUB OF RHODE ISLAND —

Meeting was held at the Sheraton-Biltmore Hotel, Providence, R. I., March 25th with 45 present.

Three were elected to membership: Lincoln H. Evans, Waldro A. Lynch, Jr., Philip Wexler.

Pres. Goodrich turned the meeting over to the member-in-charge for the evening, Earl Tuttle. Mr. Tuttle spoke on the silver ecus of France. His talk was illustrated with numerous fine specimens from his collection which were thrown on a screen by means of a reflector-type projector where the image of the actual coin is projected as a greatly enlarged image. Following the talk was a short question and answer period. After this there was a small auction.

Exhibits:

Dr. Constable: Silver coins of the Philippines and U. S. silver dollars in plastic holders.

Mr. Bushnell: Canadian half and quarter dollars.

Mr. Gould: Series of Chinese coins from the Hunter collection.

— D. S. WRATHALL
Secretary

COLUMBUS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY —

The 276th meeting was held at the Neil House Hotel April 11; Pres. Ralph Dale presided. There were 38 present. The

main feature was a very successful auction conducted by Harry Detwiler. Bidding was quite active.

We meet the second Monday night of each month at Neil House Hotel. Anyone interested in numismatics is invited.

— MRS. L. BURTON
and
MRS. R. DALE

DAYTON COIN CLUB — The 175th meeting was held on the 7th of April at the Miami Hotel with 35 members and guests in attendance. The secretary was asked to obtain a list of the A.N.A. slides available. A remark was passed along to members present that some dealers do not participate in the club because of the coin auctions. The club is for the members and to further the study of numismatics. If it were not for the various coin clubs, A.N.A. and other groups promoting the interests of coin collecting, there would be no business for the dealers. Several dealers are members and have no objection to auctions by the club, and do everything to promote the club and numismatics.

The meeting adjourned for the regular monthly coin club auction.

— LOWELL B. CHASTAIN
Secretary

EAST BAY COIN CLUB OF OAKLAND

The meeting of April 8 was called to order by Pres. Gilbert D. Eaton. He welcomed the 68 members and guests and requested everyone to sign the register. Apologies were offered for the failure of the *Circulated Proof* to arrive. Mr. Eaton announced the dates for the California State convention, and once again urged everyone to attend.

Exhibits:

Leo A. Young: Japanese 1838 tempo oban gold; two pieces carved jade; five pillar dollars in plastic.

E. A. Parker: Norris, Grieg & Norris 1849 \$5 gold.

C. H. Bloom: Commonwealth 10 shilling gold 1649.

F. X. Galvin: 1859S dollar.

C. V. Kappen: Complete set of Irish gun money.

Roy Hill: Maundy money, 1689 to 1948; Lady Godiva tokens.

E. A. Parker: (cont'd) Imitation round slug; maundy money sets.

Walt Ritchie announced National Coin Week and urged everyone to participate.

Fred Monteagle introduced the speakers of the evening, F. G. Stradcutter, assistant cashier, and Roland Hill, head of the safe deposit department, of the Bank of California. Mr. Stradcutter spoke on the history of the Bank of California, and how it was closely associated with the early history of this state. Mr. Hill spoke on the minting of early private gold coins in California.

Earl Parker disposed of 35 lots of auction material.

— DON T. THRALL
Recording Secretary

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB —

The seventh meeting met April 7th in the Frisco building, 700 W. Vickery; Pres. Pinkerton presided. There were present 61 members and guests.

The feature of the evening was an address on "The History of Nickel Coinage in America," by J. L. Prickett of Waco, Texas, who also exhibited a set of U. S. nickel coins.

The meeting closed with an auction for the benefit of the club.

— (MISS) FAITH LEWIS
Reporter

GRAND RAPIDS COIN CLUB - The meeting was held April 21 at the Rowe Hotel with 30 present. An exhibit of rare medieval coins was presented by F. H. Frans, who spoke regarding the effects of religious and political upheavals upon the coinage of the Middle Ages. An auction of U. S. coins followed.
- MRS. GARLAND C. HUGHES
Secretary-Treasurer

GREATER CLEVELAND JUNIOR COIN CLUB - The 21st meeting was held at the Parma Public Library April 15. Pres. Roger Lisy called the meeting to order with 22 present.

The secretary read a news clipping from the *Parma Post* which had an article in it about our club's preparation for National Coin Week. Mr. Kolman, Jr., and Kenneth Petché talked about the club's display at the Cleveland Trust Bank in Parma, Ohio.

Glenn Stoup and Michael Kolman III were nominated to the board of governors.

The displays were as follows: Michael Kolman III, a type set; Allan Siebert, German silver money; Kenneth Petché, wooden nickels.

A short auction was held.

- KENNETH PETCHE
Secretary-Treasurer

HUNTINGTON COIN CLUB - The 59th meeting was held in the public library April 12th.

The hobby show committee reported that two booths had been reserved at the annual hobby show.

- SIMPSON TOMKIES
Secretary

LONG BEACH COIN CLUB - The 58th meeting was held April 5 at 208 Linden Avenue. Pres. Charles Johnson called the meeting to order.

Mr. Johnson displayed and explained several numismatic magazines to the members.

Ben Williams displayed his choice collection of a gold type set consisting of eleven pieces ranging from \$1 to \$20, showing various types.

Abel Sampson displayed and spoke briefly about his uncirculated mint sets covering 1936 to date.

Maurice Jensen is in charge of the hobby show display.

Adolph Larson of Los Angeles explained his love for "Early Americana." He showed a beautiful collection of Washington coins dated 1783 and said the coin of the realm depicts the geographic confines of the country, the politics, government, and the history. Mr. Larson spoke of a "numismatologist, a studier of coins" which includes the science of metallurgy, the chemistry of alloys, the planning and creating of design, and minting operations of the coins.

Coffee hour was followed by the auction.

- NORMA BOLDMAN PYLE
Publicity Chairman

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB - The 324th meeting was held at Foresters' Hall March 4th, conducted by Pres. Wm. H. Spence, and attended by 126 members and guests. This attendance equalled the record. The following were accepted for membership: Mrs. M. H. Bolender, Mrs. O. S. Garretson, Mrs. Geo. M. Howard, George M. Howard, Maurice Jensen, Mrs. G. Lee Kuntz, Gwendolyn McBroom, Helen Rich, Paul E. Shaut, Mrs. H. L. Stolper and Otto J. Van Heyde.

The program was a numismatic quiz, with the panel consisting of George Bennett, M. H. Bolender, Edw. W. Busse, Jr., Oliver S. Garretson and G. Lee Kuntz. Cards bearing titles of coins or other objects of numismatic interest were shown to the audience, the panel of "experts" being asked to identify each within a limit of twenty questions. This type of program was also used with equal success at one of our meetings last year, and it is suggested that other clubs might well incorporate it in their schedule.

An auction of more than 100 lots was conducted by George Bennett.

The club meets at 8:00 p.m. on the first Friday of each month at Foresters' Hall, 1329 South Hope Street. Visitors to Los Angeles as well as numismatists who reside in the area are invited to attend our meetings.

- (MRS.) ESTHER G. SPENCE
Secretary

LOS ANGELES COIN CLUB - The 325th meeting, attended by 113 members and guests, was held at Foresters' Hall on April 1st. Eleven coin dealers occupied bourse tables. Mrs. Nellie G. Lewis, secretary of the San Fernando Valley Coin Club, and Otis R. Burr and Hy Spitz were voted into membership.

M. H. Bolender spoke on his experiences of 49 years as a coin collector and dealer. He told of his start in numismatics at the age of 12, with the gift of a sack of 70 coins given him by his grandfather. Mr. Bolender told of selling 1909S-VDB Cents for \$.06 each; uncirculated St. Gaudens Double Eagles for \$24.00, both high relief and wire edge.

Exhibits:

Dr. Roy J. Popkin: California fractional gold, 1852-1882.

Harry S. Davidson: Gold coins of 28 foreign countries.

The regular auction was conducted by George Bennett.

- (MRS.) ESTHER G. SPENCE
Secretary

MARYLAND NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

- The March meeting was held at the First Christian Church, Liberty Heights Ave. and Copley Rd., on the fourth Thursday. The meeting was opened by Pres. Melvin Fuld with 38 members and guests present.

Chas. E. McCormick, our auctioneer, reported on his adventure as a member of the U. S. assay commission and showed us the medal issued to the commissioners and his engraved commission.

As March 25th is Maryland Day, the Maryland cabinet was on display; also broken banknotes of Maryland. A \$10 bill from the Farmers National Bank in Annapolis and the Maryland Coat of Arms by Mrs. J. E. M. Wood. Worthington Cockey showed the modern coinage of Kutch.

Following a 60-lot auction, the meeting adjourned.

- MRS. J. E. M. WOOD
Secretary

MEMPHIS COIN CLUB - Our meeting of April 18, 1955, was very good with much activity; another member was added.

Due to the continued ill health of our president, Frank Sturm, he resigned, which we all regretted very much. We were fortunate to elect Sam Taubenblatt as president.

Stanley Rabold talked on the Confederate half dollar, a subject which

required much research. This, along with the other talks we have been having, are of much help to all of us.

— W. H. BRODERICK
Secretary

MIAMI COIN CLUB — The 78th meeting was called to order April 21st at the Miami YMCA by Pres. Herb Brand. There were many exhibits and good talks.

Nick Bell had an interesting selection of U. S. coins including a complete set of uncirculated shield nickels.

Amedee Renuart exhibited coins from those countries beginning with letters D and E.

Fred Lakosky exhibited many crowns from the same countries, including a rare five thaler piece.

Otto Sghia talked about and exhibited some coins from D and E countries.

Past President Plooard talked on the Pilgrim half dollar and Pres. Herb Brand exhibited minor coins from the countries mentioned and also 30 Lincoln medals.

Bill Steinberg exhibited a large gold medal from Essen and a 1913 Liberty head nickel.

— H. A. BRAND
President

MISSOURI NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF ST. LOUIS — The 174th meeting was held in the Hotel Roosevelt, St. Louis, Mo., March 14, and was called to order by Pres. Arno S. Meyer. Thirty-four members and guests were in attendance.

National Coin Week was discussed and final arrangements were made for numerous displays in St. Louis, Mo., and Belleville and Collinsville, Ill.

Ninety-three lots of coins, currency and medals were sold to the highest bidder by Joseph J. Smith who served as auctioneer.

— W. G. ARNOLD
Secretary-Treasurer

NEW JERSEY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The 255th meeting was held April 14th at the Military Park Hotel in Newark, N. J.; Pres. W. C. Blaisdell presided. A round-table discussion ensued on items exhibited.

Exhibits:

W. C. Blaisdell: Various N. J. bank notes from the J. Spiro collection; 1950A \$10 note with inverted and reversed signatures.

J. P. Ward: Mark Newby half pence; 16 N. J. cent; Fugio cent.

W. T. Anton: \$10 jackass note, series 1880; 1893 Isabella 25c 1911D \$2.50; 1885 5c; 1864L, 1872, 1877 1c pieces.

U. Alder: Canadian paper money and minor coins; 1882 proof 5c.

J. F. Thatcher: Canadian paper money and coins.

H. C. Mathews: Type set Canadian silver dollars.

A. C. Mayer: Various Canadian coins and tokens.

T. L. Baskin: Canadian large cent 1891 small date; Cuba plantation token(?).

— T. L. BASKIN
Secretary

NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB — The 556th meeting was held April 8 at 115 E. 40th St., New York, N. Y. Pres. Oscar G. Schilke presided. There were 25 members and guests present. Stuart Mosher was elected honorary member. Lewis M. Reagan, secretary of A.N.A., gave a short talk. Richard Picker spoke on half cents.

Exhibits:

Gerald A. Alberts: New Zealand, Fiji,

West Africa, Hong Kong trade dollars. W. C. Blaisdell: \$10 federal reserve note of 1950A with signatures, seal and serial number upside down and backwards.

V. Clain-Stefanelli: Tetradrachms of Ptolemy I as governor of Alexandria IV and of Seleucus I; Jewish second revolt coins.

H. J. Erlanger: Nuremberg: Piefort of half schilling (about 1500), thaler 1615, Sebaldus guldenthaler 1633; Ulm half-thaler 1606, medals on capture of Buda 1686, coronation of Charles VI 1711, marriage of Margrave Frederick of Brandenburg-Bayreuth 1759.

E. K. Hessberg: Mark Newby Rosa Americana tokens.

M. Kortjohn: 5c from 1883 to 1912; patterns of 1882, 1883 and 1896.

L. Kusterer: 14 Conder tokens.

D. J. McClymont: Four items of Lincolniana, cent 1909, mint medalet (struck in silver), memorial medal on Lincoln's death (white metal), silk mourning badge.

R. Picker: Half cents 1793-1857; Libertas Americana medals, silver and copper.

Mark M. Salton: Silver coinage of Athens through five centuries.

Oscar G. Schilke: Metropolitan New York Numismatic Convention badge.

R. Solomon: Jefferson peace medal by Reich.

Thos. J. Wass III: U. S. five cent proofs, 1883-1912.

— E. K. HESSBERG
Secretary-Treasurer

OKLAHOMA CITY COIN CLUB — The 185th meeting was held April 26 at the Liberty bank building; 20 present. Pres. J. Sureck was in the chair. Mr. and Mrs. George Love became members. John Overstreet spoke on the cleaning of silver coins.

Exhibits:

P. K. Anderson: Five West Indian cut and countermarked coins including an 1758 8-real piece countermarked "GR" for Jamaica, a 2-real from which a hexagonal plug had been cut and a plug of this type both from Tobago (c. 1805), 1/2 of a circular plug countermarked with a crowned 3 from Dominica, and a pie shaped 1/5 of an 8-real piece from St. Martin.

Helen Canale: Two commemorative Australian florins, one celebrating the Victoria centenary and the other noting the opening of the new parliament building.

John Koberg: Replica of the Confederate half dollar.

Lola Laxton: Canadian 10 cent bronze, silver 1904 Spanish 50 centavo piece, and several "cents" of the 19th century.

Dr. J. Lhotka: Two rare Papal ducats of the late medieval period including one of Alexander VI and another of Julius II.

Mrs. George Love: Whitman board of Roosevelt dimes.

Ralph Osborne: Isabella 25c unc.

Bonner Oulds: French 1770 half sou, Maria Theresa thaler, 1850 Bank of Upper Canada token, 1928 German 5-mark piece.

John Overstreet: Stone Mountain and Columbian commemorative half dollars.

John Rowe: Book of U. S. notes including the \$10 refunding certificate, and both \$5 and \$10 demand notes.

J. Salinger: Civil War token with the reverse reading NOT ONE CENT.

Victor Stengal: "Plain" 1922 U. S. cent. Jake Sureck: Two beautiful Meissen porcelain coins and a choice 1947 Mexican 50 peso gold piece.

Viola Wieman: Misstruck Lincoln cent.
Harold Zeigler: Fugio cent of 1787.
The Oklahoma City Club has changed its meeting place and in future will meet on the third floor of the Liberty Bank building (SW corner of Park Avenue and North Robinson) the 4th Tuesday of each month.

— HELEN CANALE
Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 16th annual banquet and the 199th meeting was held Jan. 26th at Brea, Calif., with 105 members and guests in attendance.

The banquet chairman welcomed the guests to the tune of reverberations from the speech of Dr. Jose Fernando Triago delivered at the Riverside Convention of the CSNA. After the dinner, served as usual by the waiters corps of the club, the Master of Ceremonies, Harry Hanson, first introduced the Melodiers who gave the crowd a musical treat. Ralph Chase of Whittier gave his recollections of the exciting presidential campaign of 1896 in which the great monetary issue of that time, free silver vs. the gold standard, was brought to a climax. The speaker described the Democratic convention at which William Jennings Bryan, a political unknown, was nominated by wild acclamation after his famous "Cross of Gold" speech. In his talk Mr. Chase referred to the many political tokens, later called Bryan money, which were issued at that time and which now constitute an interesting collector's item.

Following this very educational and entertaining program, the speaker was presented with a rare Bryan 16 to 1 dollar of 1896 by the club as a mark of appreciation. This rare token was given by Dr. C. Glenn Curtis in return for which he was presented with a Franklin D. Roosevelt medal.

New officers were installed for the year 1955 by J. Howard Robinson who pleased everyone with another of his novel installation ceremonies. The following were installed:

President: Winn Osborne
Vice President: Lowell Wood
Secretary: Herbert Bergen
Treasurer: Joseph Courreges
Librarian: Dr. C. Glenn Curtis
Directors: Harry Davidson, Dr. C. L. Emmons, John Stoppelwerth, Charles Colver, Charles Boothe.

Retiring President Harry Davidson spoke briefly about the "realizations" of his year as presiding officer, and the president-elect responded with "expectations" for the coming year.

— HERB BERGEN
Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 200th meeting was held Feb. 23rd at Brea, Calif., with 117 members and guests present. Seven were admitted to membership.

Pres. Osborne announced that henceforth at every meeting one of the members would be appointed by the president to be the "Collector of the Month" who will display from his collection and give a short talk about it.

Speaking on the subject of "Coins of Washington," Adolph Larson, Jr., first gave a short review of George Washington's life. Then followed a description of the various coins struck prior to the opening of the United States Mint commemorating him. These coins, he said, should be a part of every collection of

U. S. coins. The speaker displayed numerous Washington pieces and also showed a copy of the *Ulster County Gazette* published in New York in January, 1800, and containing a report of Washington's farewell address and an account of his death.

Refreshments and the usual auction of coins followed this interesting program.

— HARRY DAVIDSON
Acting Secretary

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB — The 201st monthly meeting was held March 23 at Brea, Calif., with Pres. Osborne presiding over an attendance of 108 members and guests. Five were admitted to membership.

Announcements were made regarding National Coin Weeks and the California State Numismatic Convention.

The auction committee requested that members selling coins should grade their coins carefully so that returns will be avoided.

D. K. Hutchinson acted as "Collector of the Month." He told how he became interested in coins and started his first collection. His first coin which started him out as a collector was the 1943 cent.

Program Chairman Lowell Wood introduced Dr. Edward Milligan of Santa Ana, whose talk was a continuation of his previous talks on "Dahlonge Gold." Particular attention was called to the private coinage of Templeton Reid who later transferred his coining operations to California in 1849. Members were referred to a display of Dahlonge gold coins owned by Maurice Jensen. As usual, Dr. Milligan gave colorful accounts of his experiences in Georgia where he spent a great many days searching the state records for information regarding the history of Dahlonge gold.

Following this program, refreshments were served and the usual auction conducted.

— HERB BERGEN
Secretary

OREGON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — Meeting was held April 11, Benson Hotel in Portland; 38 members and guests were present.

Lloyd Ruff gave a talk on and displayed large silver and copper Mexican coins and stated that his collection was inspired by an article that appeared in *The Numismatist* in 1953 on Mexican coins.

R. S. Carter had a fine display of large cents and told of his trip east where he picked up a few additional.

Other displays were: John Burnham, 1953, 1954 and 1955 proof sets; Wade Patterson, U. S. silver dollars; Budd Larson, crowns of Austria; J. R. Townsley, Mercury dimes; George McLarty, U. S. large bills, large Chinese coins and Swedish plate money; Joe Shearman, 1c, 5c, 10c; James Young, 1 Franc piece.

— MRS. CLYDE L. DAVIS,
Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The 469th meeting was held at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel March 30 and attended by 40 members and guests.

Pres. John E. Ohls read an essay on Christopher Columbus. A. G. K. Jakobsen, National Coin Week chairman, reported there will be displays in public libraries, banks and stores, by 10 or more members. Also publicity on TV, radio and newspapers.

The following had coin displays, Madeline Bergman, Clifford Bloom, Mrs. Harry Cutler, Julius Fulton, Walter Gerth, R. A. Helete, Roy Hill, F. E. Howard, C. V. Kappen, C. L. Liss, Les Lodge, Kurt Loret, Barney O'Hea, John E. Ohls, E. A. Parker, F. C. Powell, D. L. Redfield, D. L. Rhodes, N. Slobodchikoff, Paul Snedaker and Leo Young. The most unusual was a 12 pound pestal-shaped wife-buying money, called ensuba, from the French Cameroons of Africa, exhibited by C. V. Kappen. An auction was conducted. Meetings the last Wednesday of each month. Visitors welcome.

— MRS. EULA C. JACOBSEN,
Secretary

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The 470th meeting was held at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel, April 28th and attended by 64 members and guests.

Pres. John E. Ohls opened the meeting by asking the members to stand in silent reverence in memory of our departed past president, Col. Charles Steele.

Pres. Ohls reported receiving 64 coin books from Wayte Raymond, Inc., and Whitman Publishing Co., to be donated to San Francisco public libraries.

Abe Kosoff read a very interesting and educational paper on "Money Talks."

The following had exhibits: Ken Allen, Madeline Bergman, Clifford Bloom, Cmdr. Bowker, Allen Craig, Mrs. Harry Cutler, Jim Ferguson, Julian Fulton, F. E. Howard, A. G. K. Jakobsen, Les Lodge, Barney O'Hea, John E. Ohls, Gerald Perry, Don Rhodes, Paul Snedaker and Bill Tivol.

Our 40th Anniversary banquet committee reported reservations are now being taken. Date is June 29th at 7:00 p.m., at Roselli, 3601 California St., contact Treasurer Paul Snedaker for reservations. Out of town visitors welcome.

— EULA C. JACOBSEN,
Secretary

PHILADELPHIA COIN CLUB — The 238th meeting was held at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel April 19, with Pres. Paul Yeagley presiding and 67 members and guests present. Edmund De Laurentis was elected to membership.

Exhibits:

Edward H. Schwartz: Six large frames containing 643 large cents covering all years of issue and varieties therein, classified according to Sheldon and Newcomb. (Voted best of evening.)

Richard Hooper: A group of colonial notes representative of all the colonies.

Julius Windner: Specimens of the A.N.A. membership medal in gold, silver, and bronze. (The reverse was revised and engraved by Mr. Windner.)

Robert Ferris: The Mayor of Philadelphia's signed proclamation of National Coin Week in Philadelphia and a Philadelphia *Inquirer* photograph of Pres. Paul Yeagley and Mrs. Rae V. Biester, Supt. of the Mint, reading the proclamation.

Asher Leatherman: Three large gold coins — Austrian 1908 commemorative proof 100 corona, United States 1850 \$20, Spanish 1819 8 scudos.

Clarence Young: 158 Barber half dollars covering all years of issue and including varieties and misstrikes.

James Wobensmith: Set of proof nickel 3-cent pieces, type set Philippine Islands coins housed in a plastic holder designed and made by himself.

An auction sale concluded the evening.

— JOSEPH A. BYERS,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — The 940th meeting was held April 5th at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. Pres. James I. McGowan presided. There were 52 members and visitors present. John W. Wright was elected to membership.

Howard F. Osterman spoke on "Odds and Ends of Coinage, Spurious and Real." This was the second of the Edward T. Newell educational programs used at our meetings this year. This program has a series of 47 slides of various phases of coinage. The slides include coins with errors in striking and those altered in date or mint mark.

Exhibits:

Howard F. Osterman: 1 grosz and 5 groszy, 1939; 10 groszy silver 1840; 2 zloty silver of 1831; 3 groszy copper of 1831 and 10 zlotych silver of 1835; all of Poland.

George J. Bauer: Bronze historical medals of France — Henry IV, Louis XIII, Louis XV, Louis XVI and Napoleon, proof surfaces.

Arthur A. Lohwater: Paper currency of local banks.

Charles J. Ricard: 21 civil war tokens.

William R. Moyes: 1874 round californian ½ dollar gold; star note \$5 legal tender, series of 1953.

William A. Elston, Jr.: 1955 proof set.

Robert F. Chapin: U. S. proof sets, 1938 and 1955.

Robert M. Roecker: 1950 South Africa proof set.

— MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN,
Secretary

ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION — The 941st meeting was held April 19th at the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. Pres. James I. McGowan presided, with 51 members and visitors present.

Burdette R. Nash gave a most unusual account of terms used in transacting business with money. The manner in which it was presented and the description of persons connected with the account proved most entertaining.

Exhibits:

George J. Bauer: Large bronze coins of ancient Egypt from the early Ptolemaic to the last with head of Jupiter Ammon, Cleopatra 1st and 7th (Mark Antony's), the last very rare.

Charles J. Ricard: U. S. 50c, 1837, beautifully blue toned.

Herbert W. VandenBrul: Set Canada 5c; set Canada small cents; set Mercury 10c; set Buffalo 5c; coins of Edward VIII.

Edward A. Gilroy: England, "Dorrien & Magens" shilling of 1798; 1684 and 1685 tin farthings; 1690 tin half penny.

John J. Pittman: Liberia 25c and 50c, 1889 copper pattern proof; 5 kroner, Sweden 1954 unc.; Brazil, 1824 to 1842, 30 different copper pieces and 40 reis of 1880; Canada \$5 gold 1912 and 1913 unc.

— MRS. STELLA OSTERMAN,
Secretary

ST. PETERSBURG COIN CLUB — The 42nd meeting was held at the Florida Power Idea Center, St. Petersburg, Fla., with 32 members and guests present.

Edwin O. Smith and John W. Martin, were accepted as new members.

Entertainment was furnished by the junior members with the aid of Wm. Guild and his transparent slides on coins with 27 to 30 stars. Miss Bannister, Murray Booth and A. E. Bannister, and others, displayed and told how they had acquired their coins.

— ROMA BALDINGER,
Secretary pro tem

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB - We met at the VFW clubhouse at 620 G St. on March 17th and Pres. Yribarne welcomed Dr. Emmons who had spent some time in the Hospital. Gene Johnson from San Diego proposed a silent prayer for Col. Steele of Oakland and M. A. Schaeffer of Kingsburg. The vice president of the San Diego Club, Lt. Jg. Detmer USN became a new member of our club. There were 33 present.

The display committee under the leadership of Bill Barrett, announced the awarding of three cups at the club's exhibit in the national orange show. The Junior members got one as well as many firsts.

H. Feinberg told how to sell a collection.

The auction had many desirable specimens that sold well.

- L. L. BROWN,
Secretary

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COIN CLUB - The 82nd meeting was held April 21st, with Pres. Yribarne greeting 36 members and visitors.

Three junior members, Jerry Garsman, Melvin Garsman and Jerry Levin, gave talks on their coin collecting efforts.

There were 64 lots up for sale in the auction.

- L. L. BROWN,
Secretary

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COIN CLUB

- The 43rd meeting was held April 18th with Pres. George Baude presiding. Sixty-two were present.

Howard Stolper, our program chairman, introduced A. E. Nicholson, a teacher in our public schools, as our speaker. Mr. Nicholson had a complete set of commemorative coins - both gold and silver - on display. In addition he had a complete type set of half dollars. An auction followed.

- NELLIE G. LEWIS
Secretary

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB - On April 4 Pres. Austen Warburton called to order the 102nd meeting in the Hotel De Anza with 34 members and guests present.

F. D. Robinson announced that his former associate and veteran stamp and coin dealer, A. B. De Lisle, had died the previous day.

Pres. Warburton commended William Craig for the excellent review given his book, *Germanic Coinages*, by Seaby's *Bulletin*.

It was voted to change the meeting dates in July and September to avoid confliction with national holidays. The new dates approved were July 11 and September 12.

Exhibits and comments were given by the following: Roy Hill, George VI maundy set, 1797 cartwheel, and Lady Godiva token; Beverly Smith, 1914 Belgian bronze medal; Charles Kappen, Mexican paper money; Rudy Gjurovich, Mexican 50 peso gold piece; George Kohl, mounted plaque of foreign coins.

George Kohl then introduced our speaker, Elliott H. Wilson of Palo Alto, whose topic was "Coins of the Mexican Revolution 1913-1917." Mr. Wilson gave a most interesting talk, stressing the turbulent history of Mexico from 1910-1920, from the days of Pres. Porfirio Diaz and Gen. Madero to Pancho Villa, Gen. Huerta, Zapata, Carranza, and Pres. Obregon. The various insurgent governments except Gen. Madero's, were well

represented in coins from Mr. Wilson's extensive and rare collection. He explained that no coins or bills were issued for Madero.

The usual auction was conducted.

- BEVERLY GAYLE SMITH
Secretary

TOPEKA COIN CLUB - Meeting was held April 28 in the Coca-Cola Building with Pres. Slingerland presiding; 23 members and 3 visitors present.

Slide Set No. 19, "Bank Note Engraving," was shown and lecture narrated by Dr. O. R. Clark. This is a most interesting and instructive set.

There were numerous displays of currency but no complete sets.

- F. L. SNIDER
Secretary

TORONTO COIN CLUB - We held our March meeting on the 26th in the York Room of the Royal York Hotel. Vincent G. Greene, president, was in the chair to welcome the 23 members and guests. A special welcome was extended to an American visitor, Mr. Phillips, of Schenectady, N. Y.

The International Nickel Co. of Canada, represented by A. S. Tuttle, showed slides of over 40 different types of nickel coins of the world. It was also pointed out that the Canadian 5-cent piece is again being made of pure nickel, replacing the chromium-plated steel coins of the last four years. Mr. Tuttle also described the world's largest and most modern mint that is being built in India, comparing its capacity with other large mints now operating in other countries.

A lively bourse and trading session was then held along with a general get-together and discussion.

- PETER S. FAVRO
Secretary

TORONTO COIN CLUB - The third annual banquet was held at the York Hotel April 23, with Pres. Vincent G. Greene presiding. Forty-seven were present at the dinner. Several out-of-town clubs were represented. Accordion music was furnished by Miss Betty Favro.

G. R. L. Potter spoke on the lesser known facts of numismatics, referring to the coins and dates of U. S. series which appear to have double impression in the date. He also related the story of the two experimental Canadian steel five cent pieces which were sent to the Steel Co. of Canada in 1943; one of the coins was spent by a company official's daughter for an ice cream cone.

An auction of 113 lots concluded the evening.

- PETER S. FAVRO
Secretary

THE TRENTON NUMISMATIC CLUB

- The 36th meeting was held April 4th at the Farmhouse on West State St.

Pres. Joseph W. Scott presided. There were 52 members and guests present. Richard Zecker, Ronald Allen, Mike Janoff, Jeff Applestein, and Leonard Kohn were welcomed into our fellowship.

Report by Howard Coss on preparations for National Coin Week. Special meeting April 25th; radio broadcast over station WBUD April 25th. Also spots on station WTTM. Displays at the Main library, Briggs branch, and the West Trenton branch. Auction held.

- WALTER R. CAINES
Secretary

THE TRENTON NUMISMATIC CLUB

— A special meeting was held April 25th at the Farmhouse on West State Street. The occasion was National Coin Week. Joseph Scott presided. There were 30 members and guests in attendance.

Our president announced the necessity of a special election, as he is moving to Florida, and Vice President Howard Coss will leave town after graduation in June.

Meeting turned over to Father Korb, chairman of N. C. Week, who introduced our speaker for the evening, Charles E. Tuckwood, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, who spoke on, and slides were shown of, "Ancient Coins Associated With Christianity."

— WALTER R. CAINES
Secretary

TRI-COUNTY COIN CLUB — New officers are:

President: Charles Stevens
Vice President: Edward Rice
Secretary: Joseph Cabana
Treasurer: Mrs. Olive Benson

— JOSEPH CABANA
Secretary

WATERBURY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

— At the January meeting, new officers, as follows, were installed:

President: George Frank
Vice President: Anthony Sciarro
Secretary: Samuel Goldstein
Treasurer: William Goldstein

Librarian-Curator: Joseph Adamski

A fine display of coins was seen, among them the stella, proof sets, South Africa coronation proof sets, early colonials, and world crowns. Many fine coins were auctioned at nominal prices.

— SAMUEL GOLDSTEIN
Secretary

WEST TENNESSEE NUMISMATIC SOCIETY — The sixth meeting was held April 4 in the National Bank of Commerce at Jackson, with attendance of 16. Kenneth Wilson of Jackson was welcomed as a new member.

Pres. H. Leroy Pope presided, and announced the donation to our library by charter member R. N. James, A.N.A. No. 2778, of *The Numismatist*, 1925 through 1933.

Treas. George Bennett reviewed the interest shown in the Society exhibits by the general public during the 50th anniversary of the National Bank of Commerce the week of March 18.

The Society voted to express its regret, by proper resolution, in the death of charter member John D. Crump of Memphis.

Sgt. John Paul Butler displayed part of his collection, emphasizing coins of the Americas. An auction followed the program and exhibits.

— J. LOUIS ADAMS
Secretary

WESTCHESTER COUNTY COIN CLUB

— The 249th meeting was called to order by Pres. Massey at the New Rochelle Y.M.C.A. on April 19th. There were 16 members and guests present.

Pres. Massey read a paper on Mexican coinage.

Books and magazines from the estate of the late Pitt Skipton was donated to the club library.

The topic of the evening was "Coins of Mexico, Central America and U. S. half dollars, 1794-1891."

Exhibits:

L. Barcus: Slides of minting flaws, misstrikes, and broken dies.

J. Cameron: Eight half dollars 1829-1844-O, all of which were acquired from members.

C. K. Hessberg: Mexican gold and silver coins; 50-cent pieces from 1795-1836; 1955 Canadian Mint Set.

Warren J. Lewin: Five 8-reales of Mexico, 1789-1815; eleven U. S. half dollars, 1800-1850.

Edythe J. Mahony: Mexican coins from 1724 to date.

William S. Mahony: Mexican state coinage and revolutionary coinage.

J. Earl Massey: Fifty-eight U. S. half dollars, five 8-reales Mexican and five Central American pieces.

William Pearson: U. S. half dollars, type set. Also individual half dollars. Half cent of 1795.

Mrs. Weidhaas: Mexico 8-reales, 1780-1808-1836-1896. One peso, 1866-1909-1923 and 5 pesos of 1952.

Ernest Weidhaas: U. S. 1879 dollar, gold proof pattern.

An auction closed the meeting.

— EDYTHE J. MAHONY
Secretary

WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB

— The 410th meeting was held at the Hotel Carter April 13th, Russell Poxon presiding. Twenty-seven members and five guests were present.

Exhibits:

Edgar Bell: One Half crown size silver of Fred Wm., Great Elector; Ratisbon 1613 Mathius and Amia silver medal.

James Kirkwood: Mexican gold type set, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 10, 20 and 50 pesos.

Joe Lucas: Collection of minor silver and bronze; also various small klippes.

Judge Sawicki: Eighteen Greek tetradrachms.

Fred Hahlen: Nearly complete set of commemoratives, Civil War cents and a Jefferson nickel in honor of his birthday today.

After an auction of 59 lots, the meeting was adjourned.

— FRED N. HAHLLEN
Secretary

WICHITA COIN CLUB — The 91st meeting was held in Wolf's Cafeteria April 6th with 34 members and guests present. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Merrill Younkin.

Lewis Reagan showed slides on commemorative coins and gave an interesting talk. Merrill Younkin and Mrs. Gerald Cron brought displays and gave brief talks on how they began collecting coins. A brief discussion of National Coin Week was held.

— MARGARET K. CRON
Secretary

WORCESTER COUNTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

— The April meeting was held April 1st, at the Worcester Historical Society; Elvin Eagles presided.

Colored scenic slides were shown by Clifford Howe.

On display were some large bills from Mexico dating from Pancho Villa to the present. There was also a collection of Russian rubles from Peter the Great to 1924. These were exhibited by Earl Tuttle.

Four were voted into membership. They are: Mrs. Rose Carlson, Clayton G. Cleverly, Jr., Arthur Renaud and Edmond J. Ryan.

A luncheon was given and following the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Tuttle.

— EUGENE J. DRAGON
Secretary

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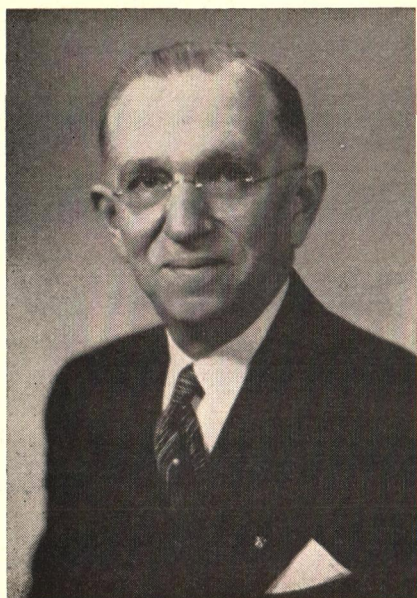
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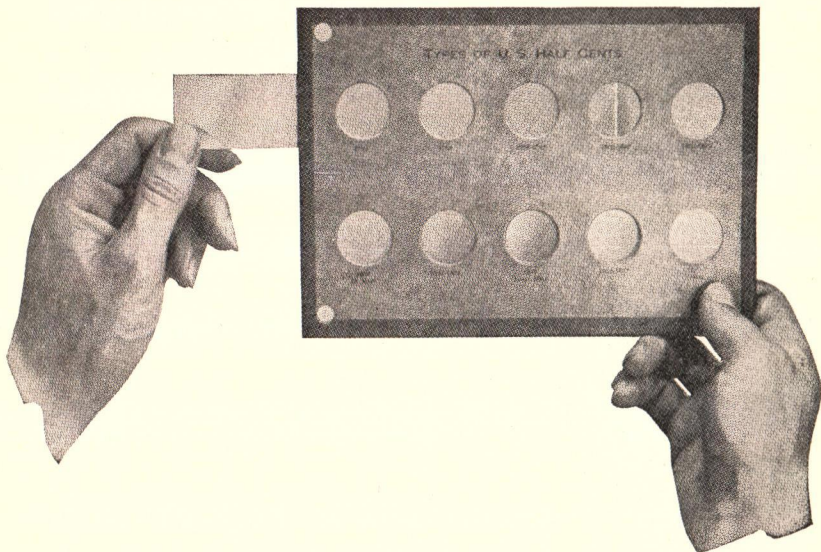
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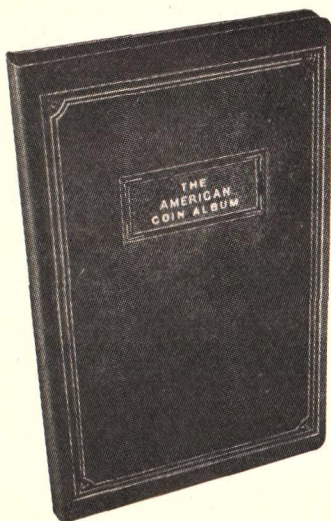
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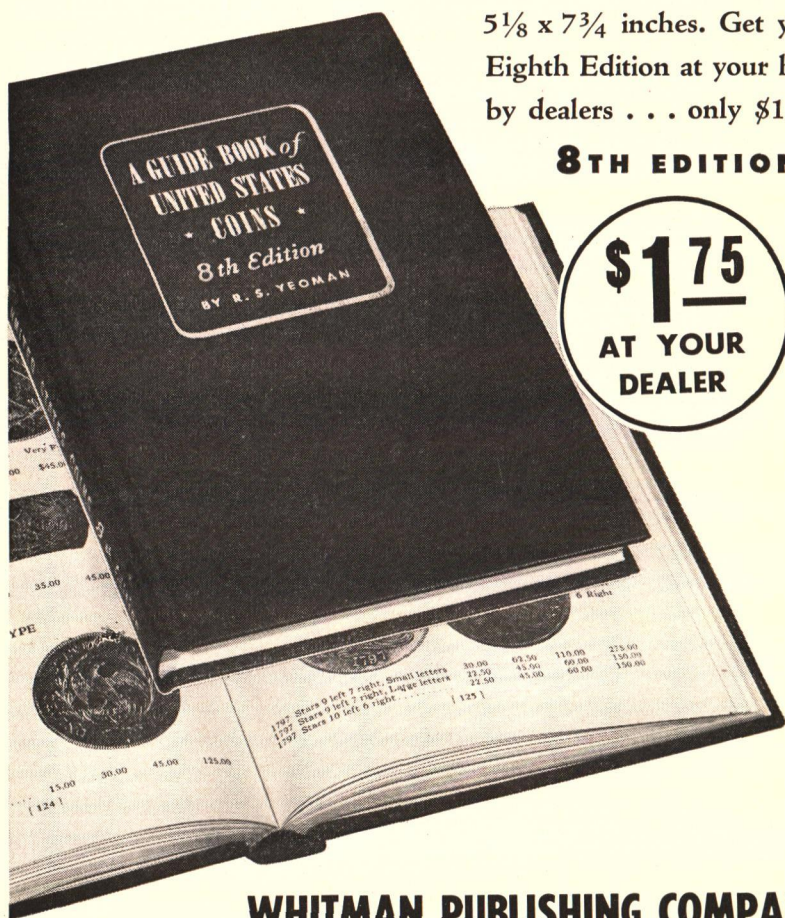
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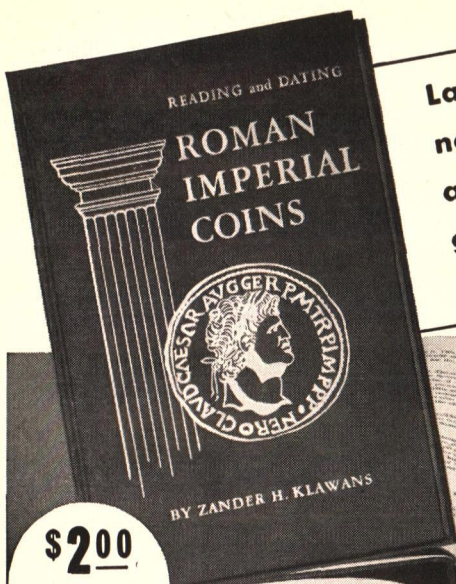
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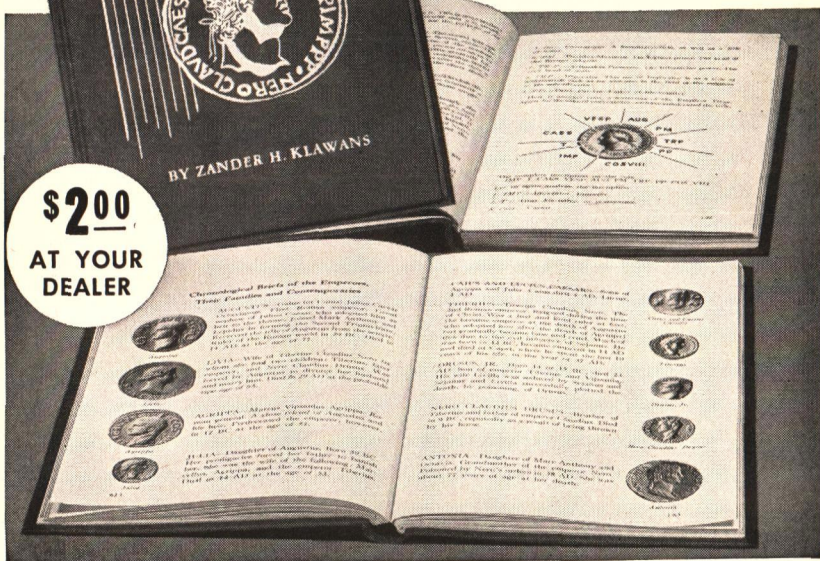
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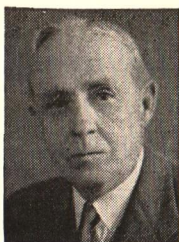
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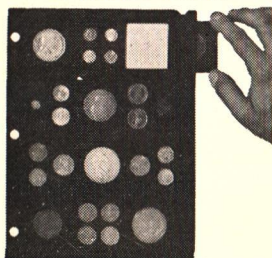
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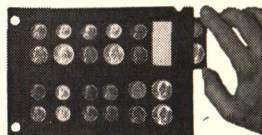
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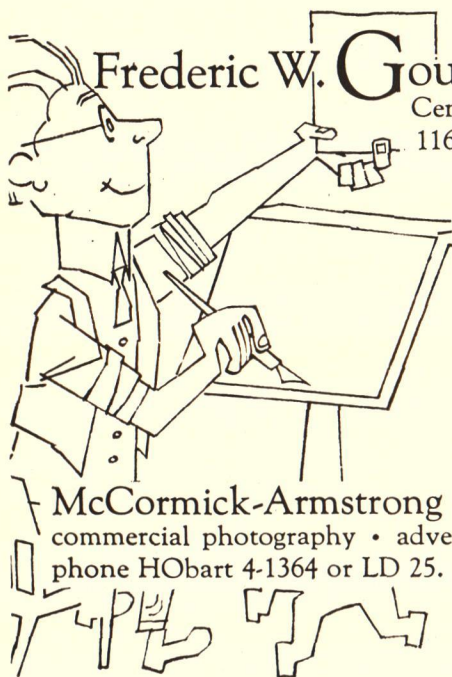
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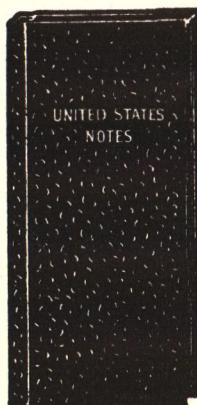
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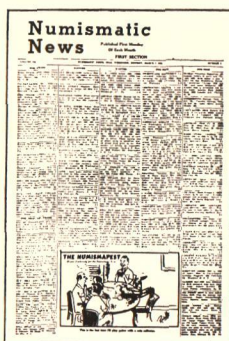
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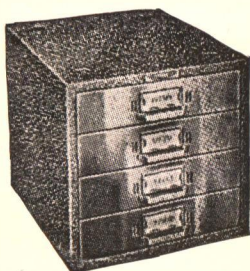
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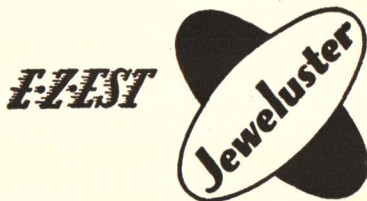
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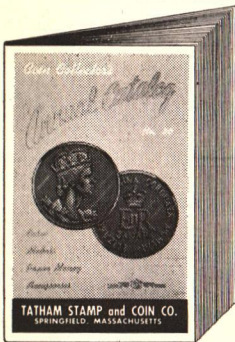
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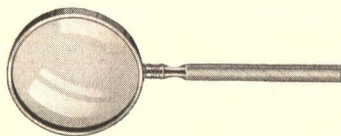
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